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### "THESE MONEY THEORIES."

MR. C. CHAMPKIN ADDRESSES ROTARIANS.

### PRACTICE & THEORY.

Mr. C. Champkin was in his usual witty form at yesterday's meeting of the Hongkong Rotary Club, held at Messrs. Lane Crawford's restaurant, when he held forth on money theories.

The Chairman (Hon. Mr. S. W. Tso) announced that a blackwood mallet had been presented to the Club by the Chairman's use. It bore the Rotary emblem and was the property of the Club, for which they thanked the generosity of Mr. Shields.—(Applause).

Visitors welcomed, in addition to the speaker, were Mr. R. H. Mirfams, Hongkong Excavation Company; Mr. F. R. Baxter, H.M.S. Hermes; and Mr. C. I. Endert, of the Hongkong Dutch Bank. Three Rotarians from Singapore were also welcomed, these being Mr. Lawrence Lawler, Dr. Lim Han-hoe and Mr. H. Hutchins, also Rotarian D. Sparnay, of Bandung, Java.

In addressing the gathering, Mr. Hutchins said that Mr. Hutchins and himself had had the privilege of attending the first meeting of the Hongkong Club. In Singapore they had often had the privilege of entertaining members of the Hongkong Club, which, judging by the attendance, was very successful, Singapore sent their best wishes.

Mr. Sparnay extended best wishes on behalf of his Club in Java.

In speaking on "These Money Theories," Mr. Champkin said, I feel rather diffident about addressing you on the subject of these money theories because I am sorry to say that I am rapidly losing the faculty of regarding money from the viewpoint of theory. Money presents peculiar aspects from certain angles and it has been my lot to regard it somewhat directly from an angle of my own. I am not, of course, so unreasonable as to hold that all doctrinaire theories about money are wrong merely because I know that none of them are right. The most I hope for, in the few minutes at my disposal, is to lead you to a more kindly appreciation of that simple truth so well expressed by Mr. Henry Ford: "All theories are punk!"

Let us examine, in the light of recent events, one particular aspect of money that has latterly become rather obscured and see if we can put to the test of experience a belief that is even now accepted as gospel by people who are young enough to know better. We are all familiar with that notable fallacy euphoniously termed the "quantity theory" of money. Familiarity with it has bred contempt and as a bright and chaty topic for discussion after an excellent tiffin on a hot day nothing could be more pleasant than the quantity theory. Yet if experience is the name we give to our mistakes we should have enough practical knowledge of it to marvel that it still survives. The quantity theory was perhaps best expressed by Dr. Johnson, generally identified as "the eminent lexicographer." You will remember that when he visited Scotland he brought back with him two very remarkable additions to our knowledge that have had a profound bearing on the science of economics for more than a century.

The first, of course, is the knowledge that it is possible for an Englishman visiting Scotland to bring back anything at all! (Laughter). The second is contained in an entry in his Journal: "Eggs are four pennies a score, not because eggs are so plentiful in this wretched country, but because pennies are so damned scarce."

How Theory Goes Astray.

Here, in a nutshell—or perhaps I should say in an egg-shell—is

the "quantity theory" of money. It is based on the well-known maxim that nothing succeeds like excess. It seeks to prove that "other things remaining constant" which, by the way, they never do—price levels vary directly with the supply of money." In other words, when money is plentiful commodity prices rise and we find it difficult to live within our means. On the other hand, when money is scarce things are so cheap that we find it impossible to spend our earnings. As a matter of experience we find nothing of the kind.

When the gold stocks of England were depleted after the war, as a result of the unfortunate decision to restore the gold standard at any cost, we did not find it more economical to live in England than in France that steadily accumulated the gold that England lost. On the contrary it became considerably cheaper to live abroad.

We find the Chairman of the Midland Bank telling us as recently as a month ago: "According to our experience of the working of the gold standard the flow of gold into creditor countries should have caused an expansion of money supplies. The stimulating effect on prices would in turn have enabled debtor countries to dispose of their products to better advantage, but in fact the movement of gold has had no such effect. As a consequence France, has offered us little resistance to the fall in wholesale prices as this country, which has received no accession to its stock of gold. It is clear, therefore, that the gold standard is not working as we anticipated."

Well, of course, it is quite possible that the gold standard has suddenly developed an inexplicable kink, but it is, at least, equally possible that the whole theory is wrong because it runs counter to the fact that commodity prices are not generally an effect of money supplies but more frequently a cause. The quantity theory depends entirely on the elementary law of supply and demand as it affects money and it pre-supposes that the same law governs commodities, but it does not. It affects them or most of them—but it does not govern them.

### Real Value of Gold.

The governing factor in commodity prices is the real value of gold in a gold standard country, and of silver in a silver standard country, but if we elect to regard gold as a standard we have to invest it with an artificial value. When we assume that a stable gold-standard stabilizes prices we are assuming something that is self-contradictory. The relationship of gold with other commodities is a matter of comparative, not of absolute values. The only way to stabilize prices is to establish a fluctuating standard for gold, or, if our credit is sufficiently good, we can operate on a "managed" currency of paper, controlling our supplies, not by our metallic reserves, but solely by the needs of the market as indicated by the rising or falling tendency of our index number of price levels.

I do not mean, of course, that wheat, judged by a comparative standard, would maintain its price in a year of exceptional crops, nor that silver would fail to respond to an artificial restriction of output. The law of supply and demand is not discredited by a comparative standard. It will always have some effect, but the governing effect on general, as distinguished from particular commodities, will always rest on the real value of gold. You have a daily illustration of this fact in China where conditions are reversed. Here we have a silver standard and gold is a general commodity. When your exchange broker tells you that gold bars are up—which I fear he has been telling you with monotonous regularity lately—what he really means is that silver is down, because gold bars in China are almost entirely unaffected by the law of supply and demand.

Mr. Roberts, of the National City Bank, presented this idea very concisely in the course of a recent address to the American Institute of Mining Engineers.

He said: "While price changes in single commodities, or in a number of commodities, may be due to the ordinary play of supply and demand, universal or general price changes are only to be accounted for by changes in the price equation of money"—that is, the real value of gold.

Under our imperfect system the real value of gold in a gold standard country is regulated—or, as some would say, is wangled—by interest, and, of course, to a certain extent by eggs—as I shall presently explain.

### Burden of Interest.

I have spent the best years of my life trying to find out who invented interest and why. Interest is the super-illusion of the theorists. In more enlightened times the Roman Church condemned interest as a crime comparable only to murder. Up to 1571 the charging of interest was a criminal offence in England. I very much doubt if it is quite legal now, for there is sound juristic authority for the principle that when a loan is made the property in the thing lent for the time being passes to the borrower. This was reaffirmed as late as 1926. How then can a man demand interest from another who is merely using that which is his own? To charge interest is to sell time and who can claim any ownership in time? No Mahomedan will charge interest on a loan. He will accept *sada*, or commission, or anything else that brings in a better return than any infidel could hope to get, but he will not charge interest, and very rightly so. Not only is interest clearly immoral, decidedly illegal and devilish inconvenient, but it is totally unnecessary. Let me quote in support of this view the classic case of the Guernsey Meat Market.

### Something for Nothing.

A hundred years ago the burghers—or *bourgeoisie*, or whatever the parish council of Guernsey call themselves—decided, on a sudden impulse, to create an artistic Meat Market. Now, creative art, as you know, is usually the outcome of a community's impulse, but this particular Meat Market was the impulse of the community's income—or rather of its lack of income. They needed funds and a Meat Market seemed a promising way of getting some. The difficulty was that they had not the money to pay for it and they could not even raise enough money to pay interest on a loan.

In these rather trying circumstances they had the good sense to consult a shrewd exchange broker, and following his advice they issued three thousand one-pound notes and made them legal tender, with the provision that each note would be destroyed as it was received by the Council in payment of rent from the Market stallholders. Within five years the last of the notes had been paid in and destroyed and Guernsey was possessed of the artistic and solidly built Meat Market that stands to-day a silent witness to the infamy of interest. It earns three hundred pounds a year and it cost nothing to build.

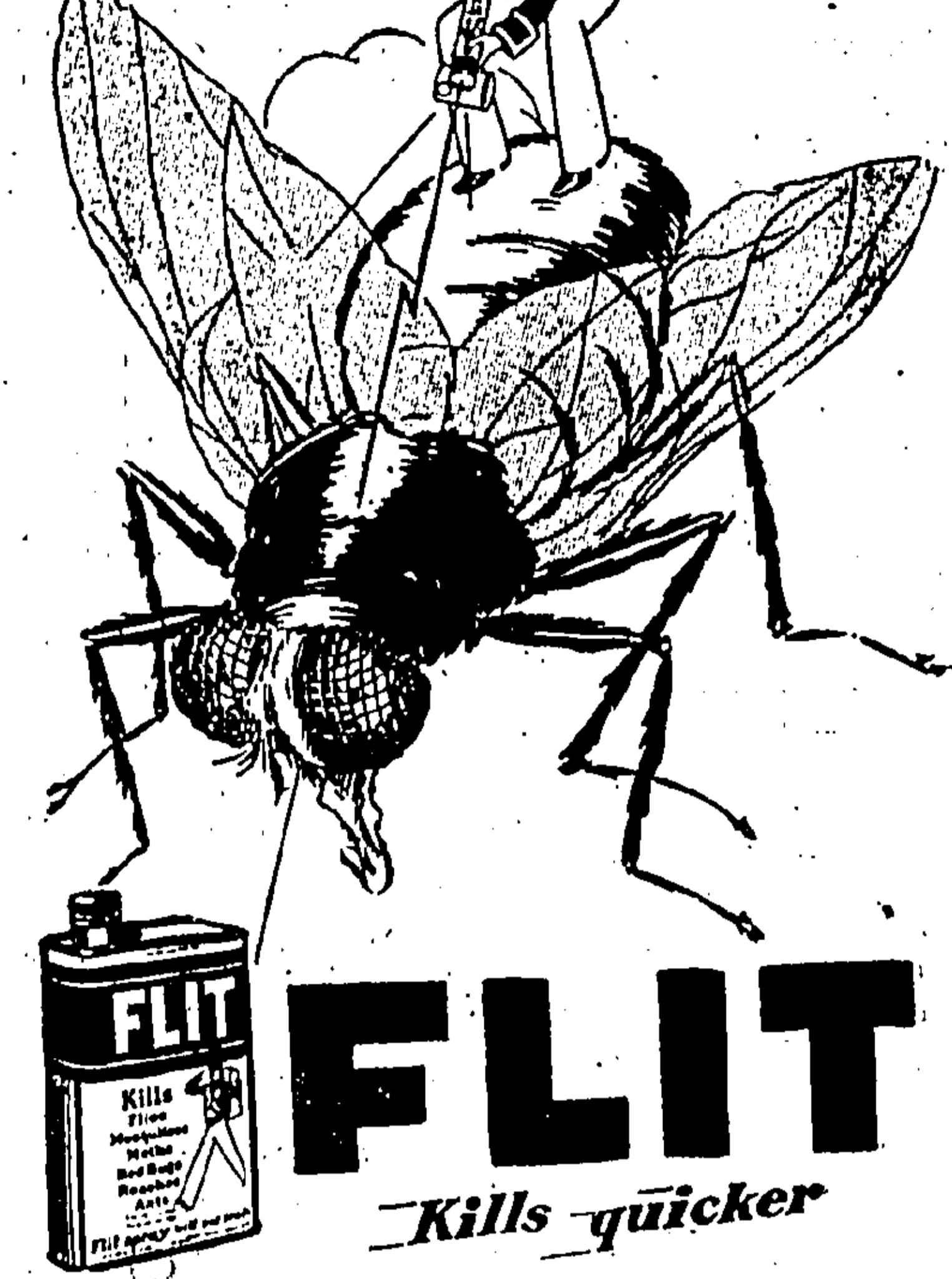
Newspapers travelled slowly in those days, but when this thing became known something akin to panic seized the money theorists. This handful of parish councillors—half foreigners at that—had cast down the idol of interest that men had worshipped for so long! They had violated the sanctity of every economic tradition by getting something for nothing! There was no end to their rascality! Learned economists wrote theses on the Guernsey Meat Market and other learned economists have written other theses at regular intervals since. For a century the theorists have tried to prove that there was a catch in it somewhere and for a century the good people of Guernsey have simply replied: "Well, anyhow there's the Meat Market."

### Lord Passfield's Views.

Now, we in Hongkong are not altogether disinterested in this Meat Market affair, because one of the learned economists who has attempted to explain it is Lord Passfield, a former prominent member of the Fabian Society who

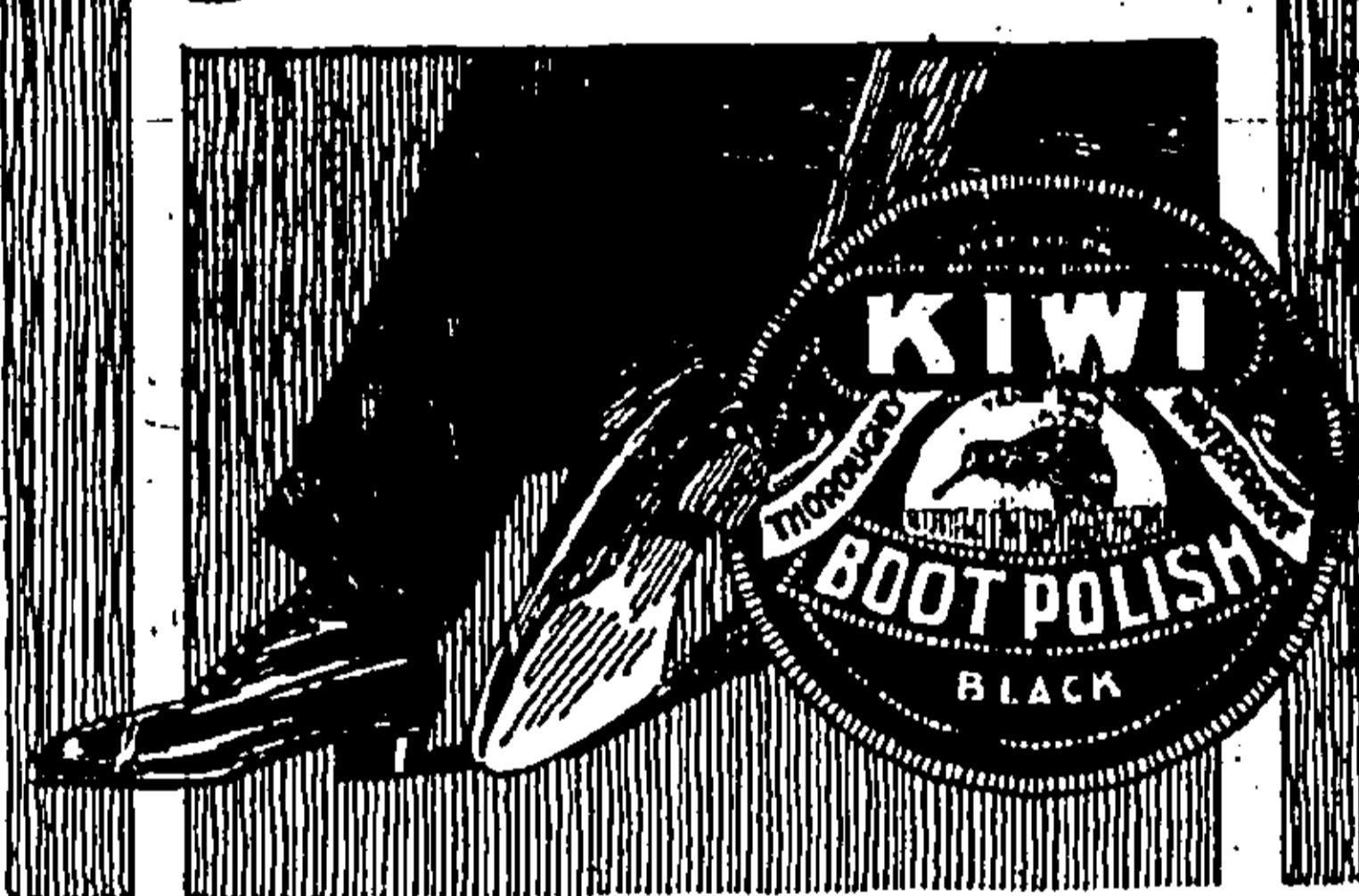
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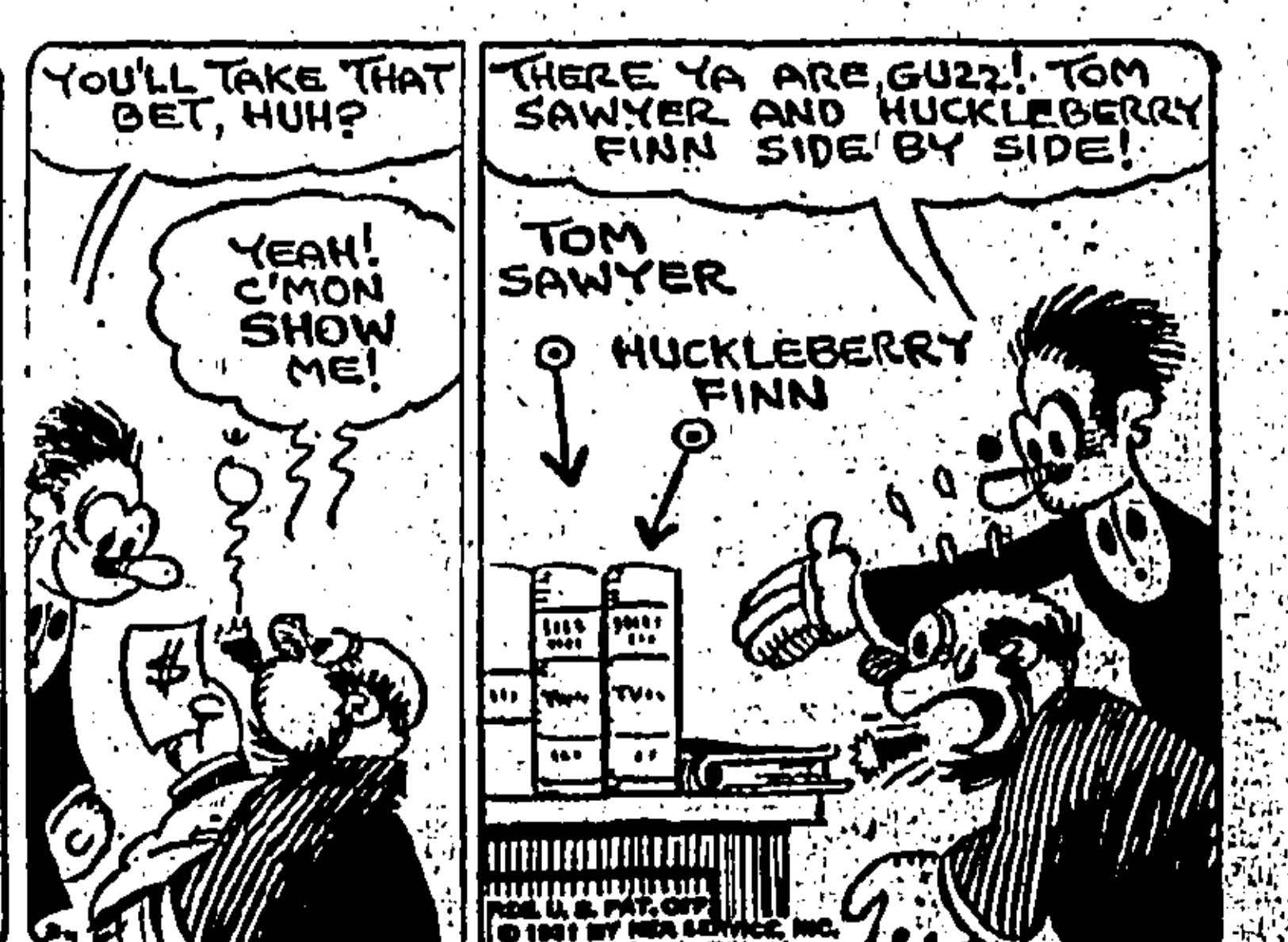
will probably have something to say with regard to the settlement of our own currency problem, when the recently-appointed Colonial Currency Commission presents its Report a few years hence.

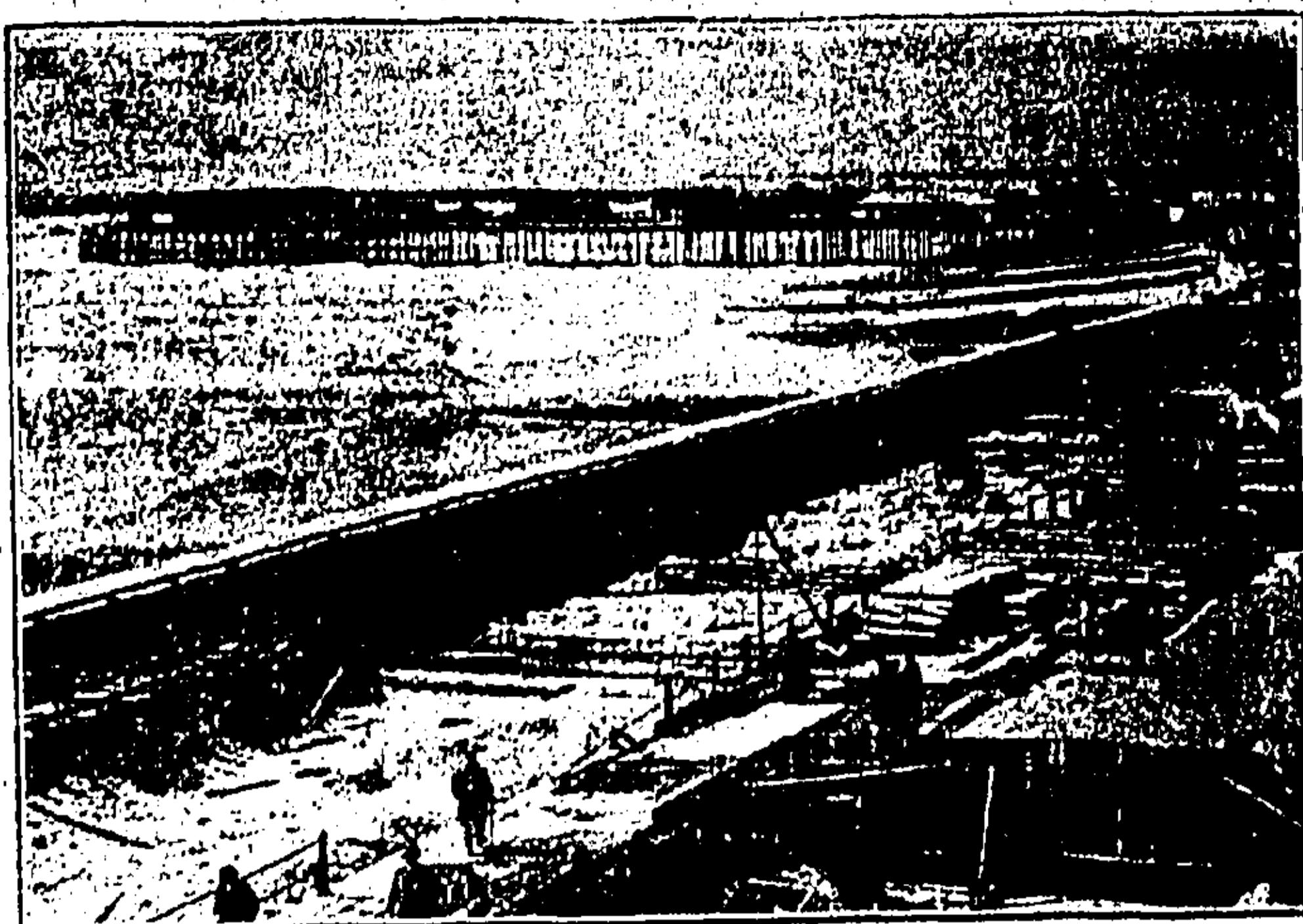
Lord Passfield says "To many

a humble student of money pro-

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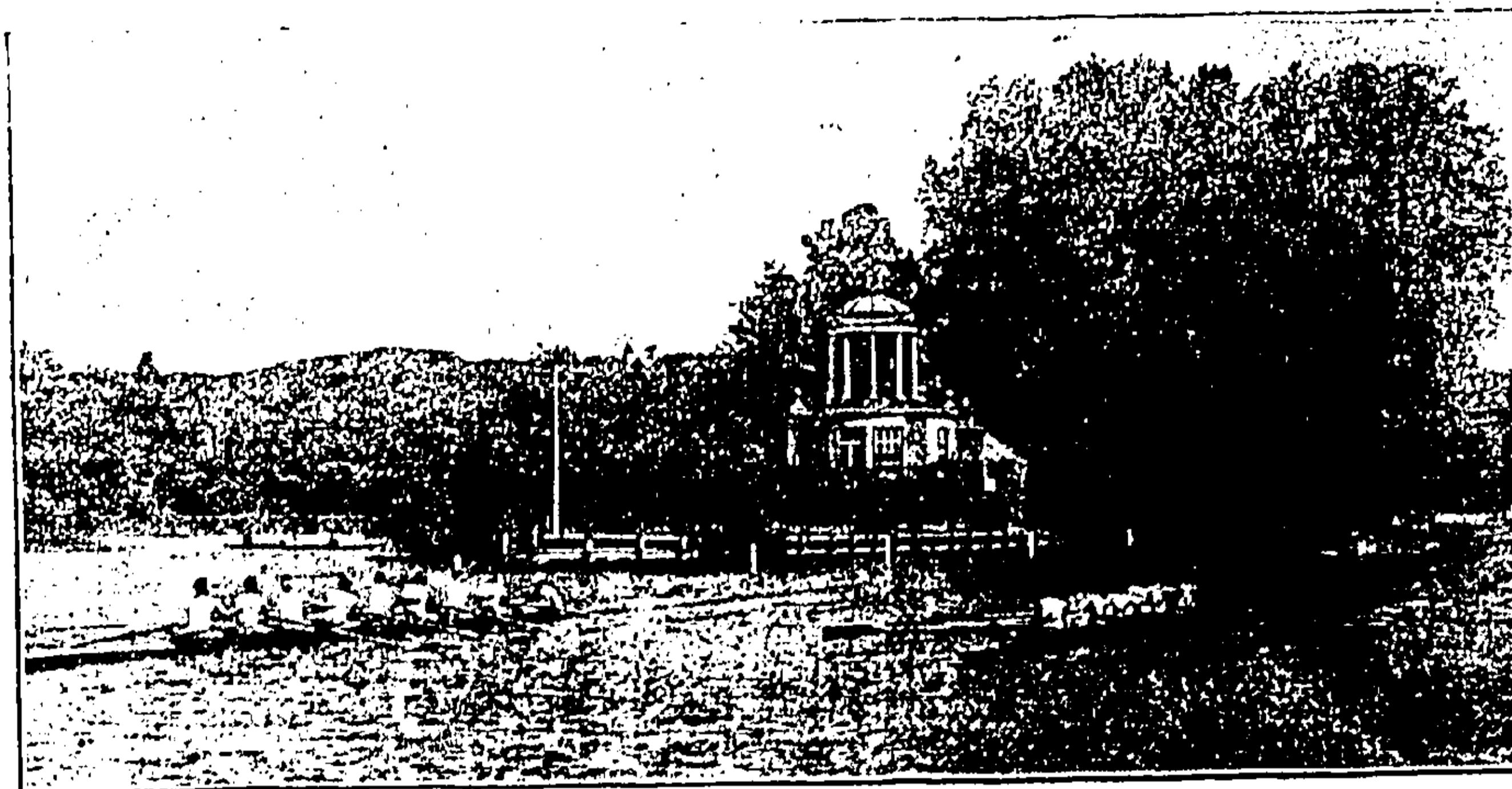




Considerable progress has been made with the work of extending the promenade at Hastings. Our picture shows the newly constructed sea wall on the eastern side of the borough. (Times copyright.)



The birthday of Shakespeare was commemorated by the customary ceremonies at Stratford-on-Avon. Our picture shows the head of the procession leaving the poet's birthplace for the church. (Times copyright.)



Temple Island, Henley, is shortly to be sold. It is a feature of the Regatta course.



A portrait of Defoe, the father of English journalism. (Times copyright.)



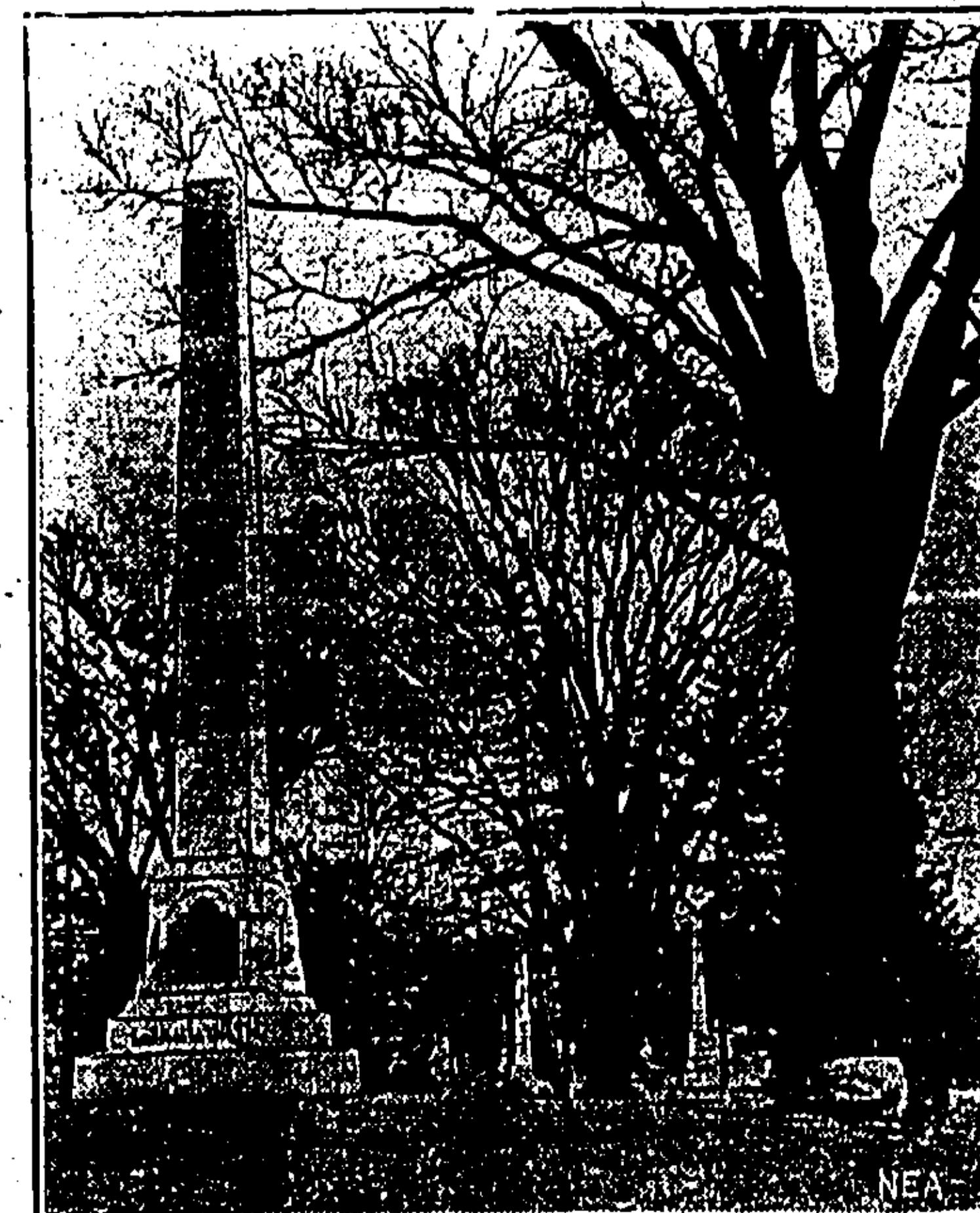
The bi-centenary of Defoe's death was celebrated recently. His greatest achievement was *The Review*, which marked a new era in criticism. Our picture is the frontispiece to an early edition of *Robinson Crusoe*. (Times copyright.)



Photo taken after the recent wedding in the German Church at Shanghai, of Miss Christa Ida Charlotte Minna Bruhn and Mr. Ottomar Gottlieb Boenig.



The flower-laden casket containing the remains of Nicholas Longworth is shown being carried by pall-bearers to the grave.



Our photo shows the last resting-place of Mr. Nicholas Longworth, Speaker of the U. S. House of Representatives.

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## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## NOTICE.

The Half Yearly General Meeting of Voting Members will be held at the Club House, Happy Valley, on Wednesday, 27th May, 1931, at 5.15 p.m.

ALL members are cordially invited to attend and participate in any discussion which may ensue.

AND NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Voting Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be held at the Club House on the 27th day of May, 1931, immediately after the half-yearly meeting of the Voting Members when the subjoined resolution will be proposed:

"That Article 6 of the Articles of Association of the Club be altered by deleting therefrom the words "Ordinary Members" may be unlimited in number" and substituting therefore the words "The number of Ordinary Members shall be one thousand two hundred or such greater number as the Voting Members shall from time to time determine."

AND NOTICE is also hereby given that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Voting Members of the Club will be held at the same place on Wednesday, the seventeenth day of June, 1931, at a quarter past five o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 14th May, 1931.

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**ALFRED SWANN,**  
Hon. Secretary.

N. B.  
Any person who is qualified to vote at the Annual General Meeting of any Protestant Church in the Colony of Hongkong shall be an Elector of the Peak Church." Reg. 3.

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**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 29th MAY, 1931, at 11 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1930, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 11th MAY to 29th MAY, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.

**PAUL LAUDER,**  
General Manager.

Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1931.

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**PAUL LAUDER,**  
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Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1931.

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the SIXTY-FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 29th MAY, 1931, at 11.20 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1930, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

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Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1931.

**THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.**

Subscription Griffins and Australian Ponies.

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Hongkong, 14th May, 1931.

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I. N. CHAU,  
Hongkong, 22nd May, 1931.

## THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Seventh Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 6th June, 1931, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries close at 12 o'clock noon on Thursday, 28th May, 1931.

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## SCHNEIDER TROPHY.

BRITISH CREW INDULGE IN SOME PRACTICE.

London, May 26.

Bank holiday crowds in the Isle of Wight and resorts on the approaches to Southampton and Portsmouth witnessed practice flights by some members of the high speed crew now in training at Calshot for the Schneider Trophy race.

Squadron Leader Orlebar flew one of the Gloster Napier Six machines, fitted for practice. Although its speed was limited to substantially below the record, in the last race, this machine when full out can do about 300 miles an hour.—British Wireless.

London, May 26.

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This Prospectus has been duly filed with the Registrar of Companies.

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Of the remainder of the Capital of the Company comprising 52,000 shares of \$10.00 each 20,000 shares of \$10.00 each are now offered for public subscription at a premium of \$10.00 per share; the amount of \$10.00 payable in respect of each share together with the premium of \$10.00 making a total of \$20.00 is payable on application. Such shares will rank for dividend as from the First day of April, 1931.

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TOBACCO COMPANY  
SUMMONED.CIGARS SAID TO BE FALSELY  
MARKED.

The manager of the Great Eastern Tobacco Company, Shanghai Street, was summoned before Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, for having (a) on May 20 applied a false trade description to cigars; (b) having the cigars in their possession for sale or for purposes of trade or manufacture; (c) having in their possession for sale or for purposes of trade or manufacture cigars to which a false trade mark had been applied.

Mr. D. E. Blake appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. M. A. da Silva for the defence.

Mr. Blake said the summons had been taken out on the information of Mr. Hugh Jones, and a search of the premises had been made and a very large quantity of cigars and boxes had been seized. The boxes were genuine, but the cigars had not been manufactured in Manila, but in Hongkong.

Mr. Hudson Chen Wood, assistant manager of the Tabacaria Filling, said that they were the sole importers to Hongkong of cigars made by the Alhambra Cigar and Cigarette Company of Manila. On being given a sample box of those seized, he said the box was genuine but the cigars had not been manufactured by the Alhambra Company. He had been shown a number of boxes, some filled and some empty, at the Yau Ma Tei Police Station, and all the boxes were genuine, but the cigars had been manufactured locally.

Further hearing was adjourned sine die.

SNATCHER WELL  
PUNISHED.PRISON SENTENCE AND A  
BIRCHING.

"I did not snatch the bag myself; another man snatched it and dropped it in Tai Nam Street, and I picked it up," pleaded a Chinese named Chan Tai, in answer to a charge of having stolen from a woman named Wong Sau-kan, a handbag containing some money, a comb, a powder box and a purse, in Wong Chuk Street at 10.45 p.m. yesterday. The case came before Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Sub-Inspector Hourihane said that while the complainant was going home last night, two men came up from behind and one of them snatched the bag, so violently that she fell down. Both men ran away. The complainant cried out, and her husband, who was waiting for her at her house in Wong Chuk Street, gave chase, and an Indian constable arrested defendant with the purse in his hand in Nam Chong Street. The complainant would say that she recognised the defendant as the man who had snatched the bag.

After evidence had been heard, Mr. Hamilton imposed sentence of twelve months' hard labour and 24 strokes of the birch.

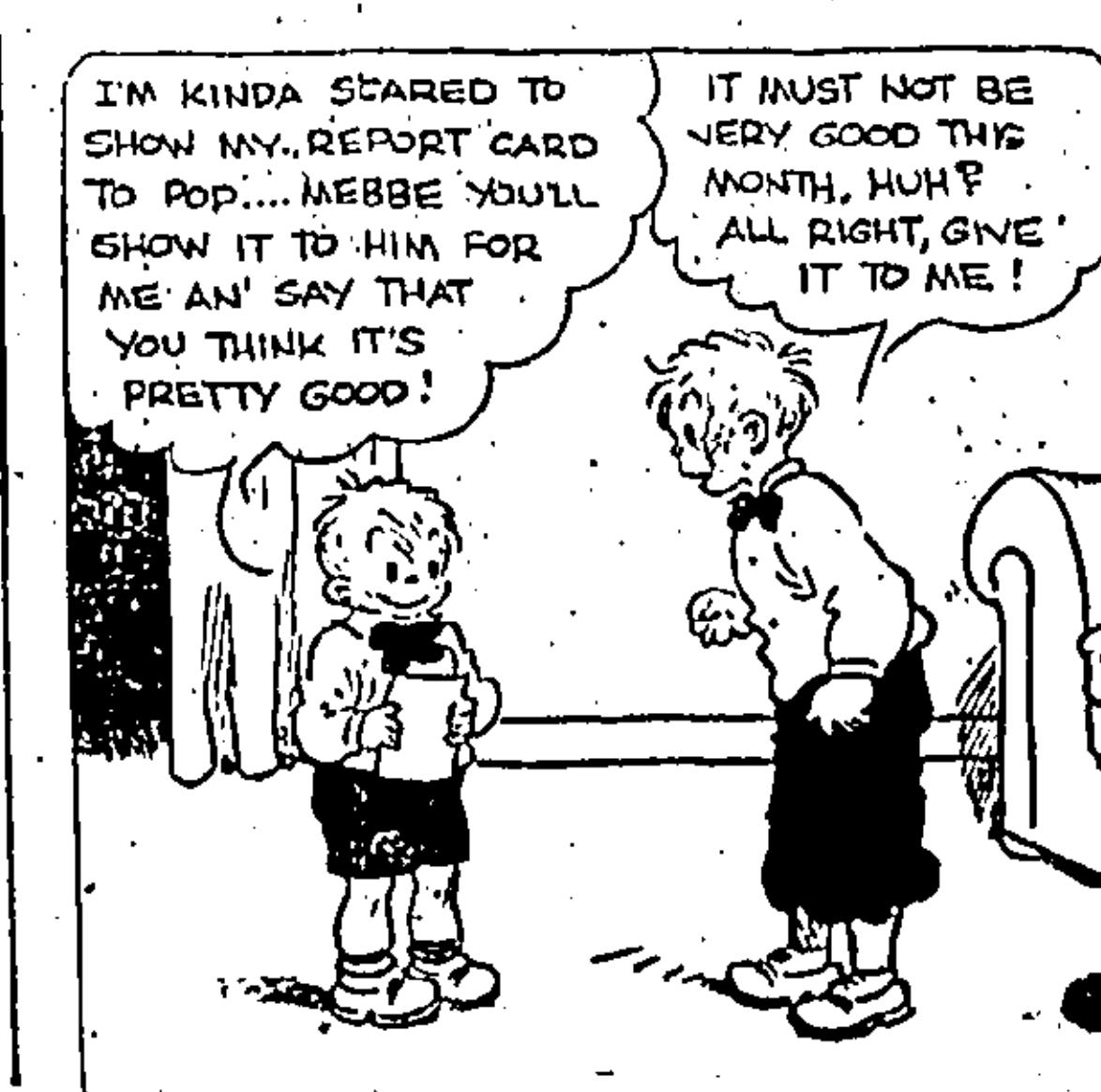
LAWYER ARRESTED  
FOR MURDER.ACCUSED OF DOUBLE SLAYING  
IN LOS ANGELES.

Los Angeles, May 21. Mr. David Harris Clark, a former district attorney, to-day surrendered to the police who were searching for him on a murder charge.

Mr. Clark is alleged to have shot and killed Mr. Herbert Spencer, an editor, and Mr. Charles Crawford, a politician, here yesterday.

Three persons who witnessed the shooting have identified Mr. Clark as the murderer. Once he ran in the primary elections for nomination as a candidate for election as a municipal judge. He was a candidate for the municipal judgeship at the time he is accused of the double murder.

## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

WOMEN'S WORLD  
FOR OUR LADY READERS.

## PARISIAN NOTES.

## Fashion's Colour Card.

Leading colours include delicate yellows—more inclined to apricot than lemon tones—mustard yellow, ripo corn, "French" lilac, green at its freshest, also mustard-green, currant-reds—with a delicious bloom on them, biscuit, new blues, and an exquisite new pink with a strong dash of milk in it. The range of pastel colours must excite the enthusiasm of every lover of delicate colours. There are lots of blues—bright varying cerulean, others with apparently no name, they are so new, and some slate blues that look particularly well set off by voile. The new gazelle shades are very sweet. Brown is very little seen.

One colour hardly takes the lead over another. There are so many lovely ones to choose from.

## A Regal Mode.



## Semi-Informal.



## NEW LINGERIE.

## Colour Most Important.

Colour is superlatively important where lingerie is concerned, and may match the accessories of your costume, or the costume itself. Turquoise lingerie to tie up with turquoise accessories is the preferred red undertone. Ash-pink is another. White or black and white daytime lingerie is to be had for the millions of magpie devotees. Materials in the preferred category are crepe-de-chine, lustreless satin, silk linen, and silk batiste.

The daytime idea of avoiding all transparency via your lingerie has its partisans for evening also, and the dressmaker who dressed her mannequin only in pink silk jersey bathing-suits under flowing evening skirts has not succeeded in her daring plan. As a matter of fact, there is great grasping going on in the best society over the idea, and a great protest from husbands! However, the only really nice foundation for an evening gown is the crepe-de-chine or chiffon combination that reaches just to or below the knees. When the foundation follows the dress down to the ankles or below, it is split somewhere to display the legs in glimpses.

Long-sleeved night-dresses are the smartest of the smart in Paris, and their decolletages are modest and draped, or hidden by capes and berths.

Sleeping pyjamas, with all the boyishness extracted from their lines and details, are favourites. They are mostly belted with ribbon belts.

## Dainty Gown.

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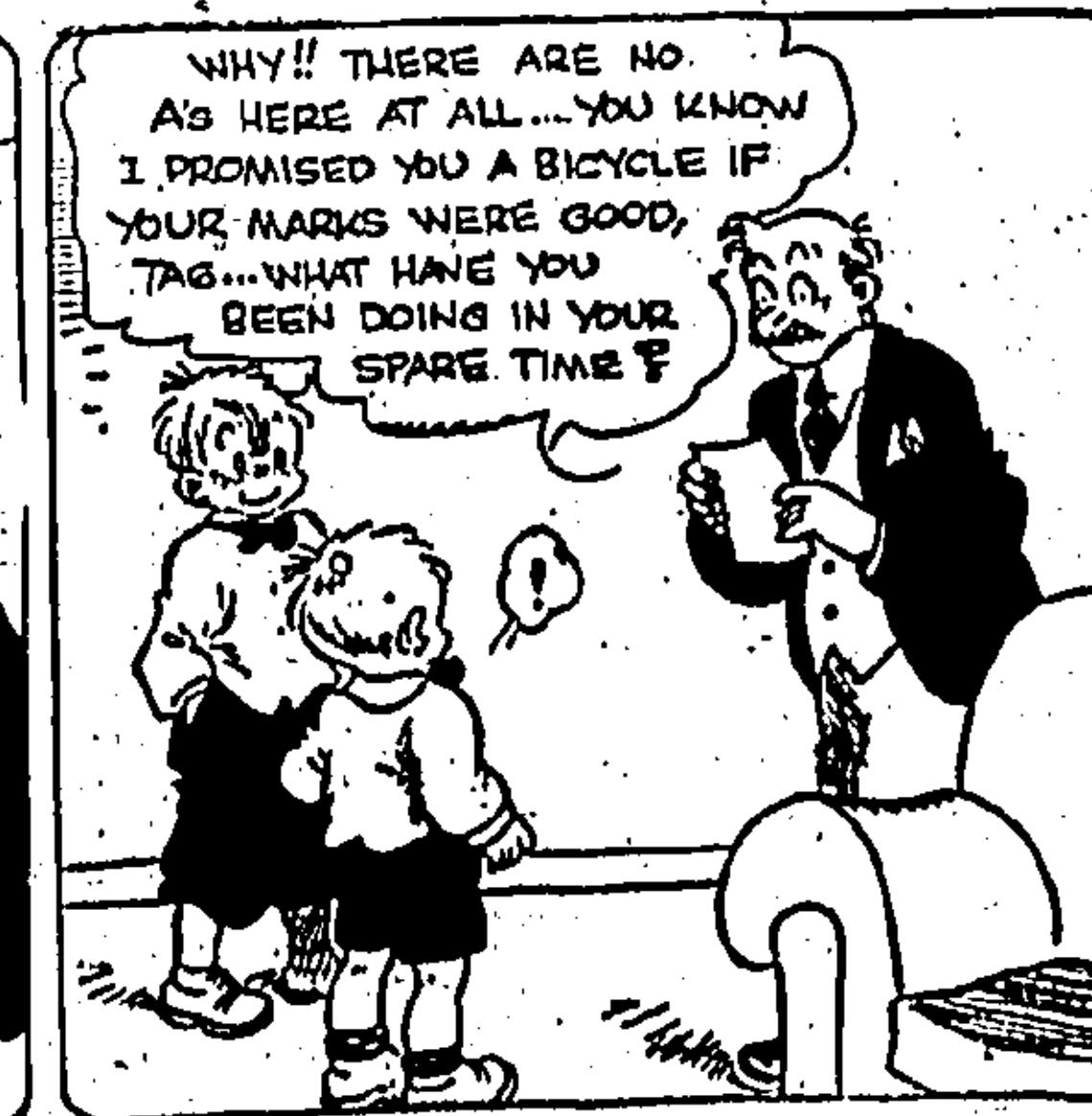
Handkerchiefs of patterned chiffon, a yard square, or triangles of vividly patterned silk and wool, not as scarves but as cowl collars, to freshen up the end-of-the-season frock.

Black and white flannel button-hole flowers, which can be had in the shops at a trifling price. Also belts with geometrical chromium-plated buckles. These buckles can be bought separately and fitted to the belt of the dress material. Belts of string, beads, American cloth or feathers are also favoured.

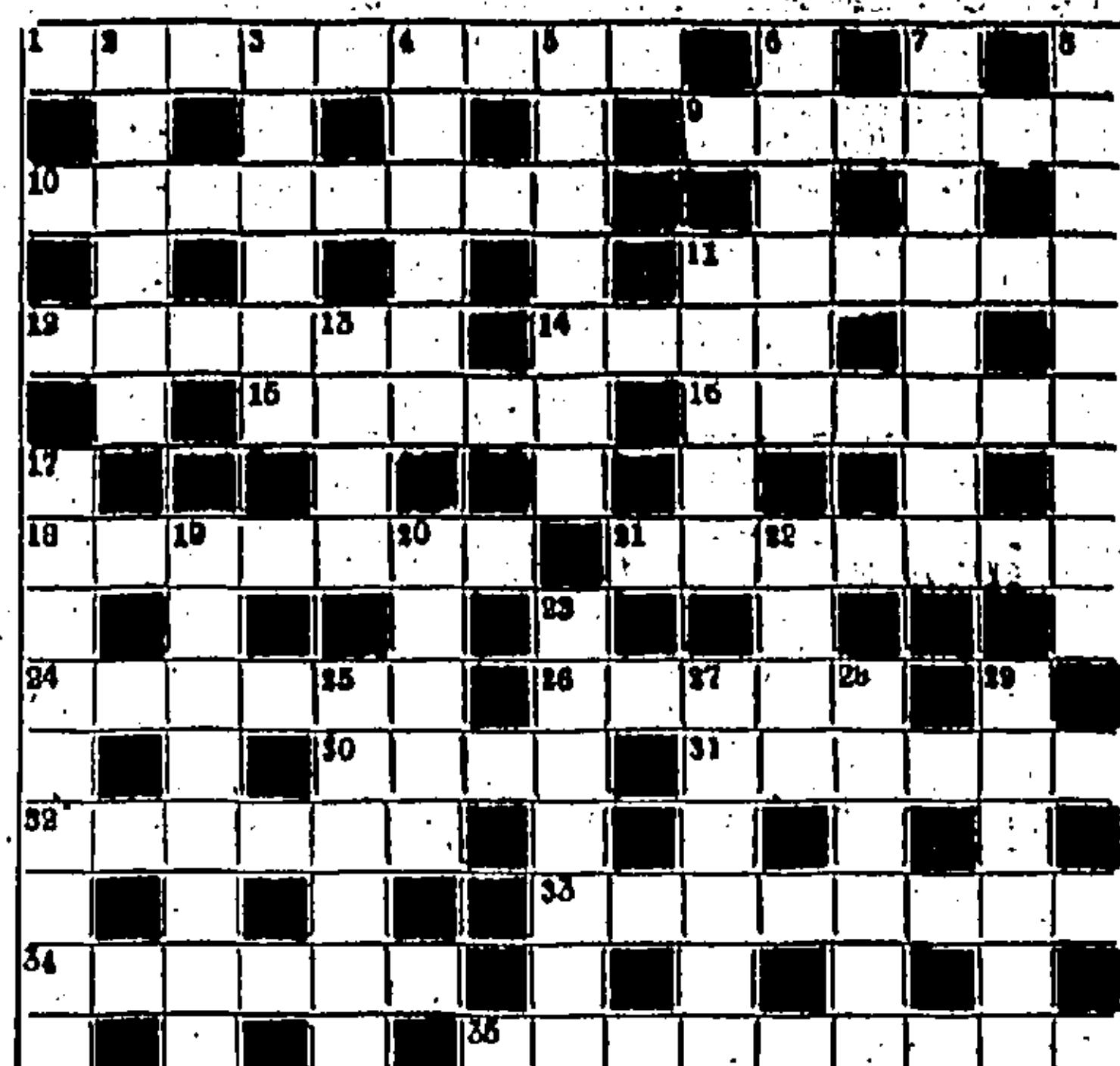
Clip brooches into which tiny watches are set. These are now obtainable at quite reasonable prices and look very chic if clipped on to any dress.

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- This tradesman makes a threat—better pay up.
- A shake, down.
- A place of refuge.
- The first half may be a fountain, but the second is not. Altogether, it is often in quite a flutter.

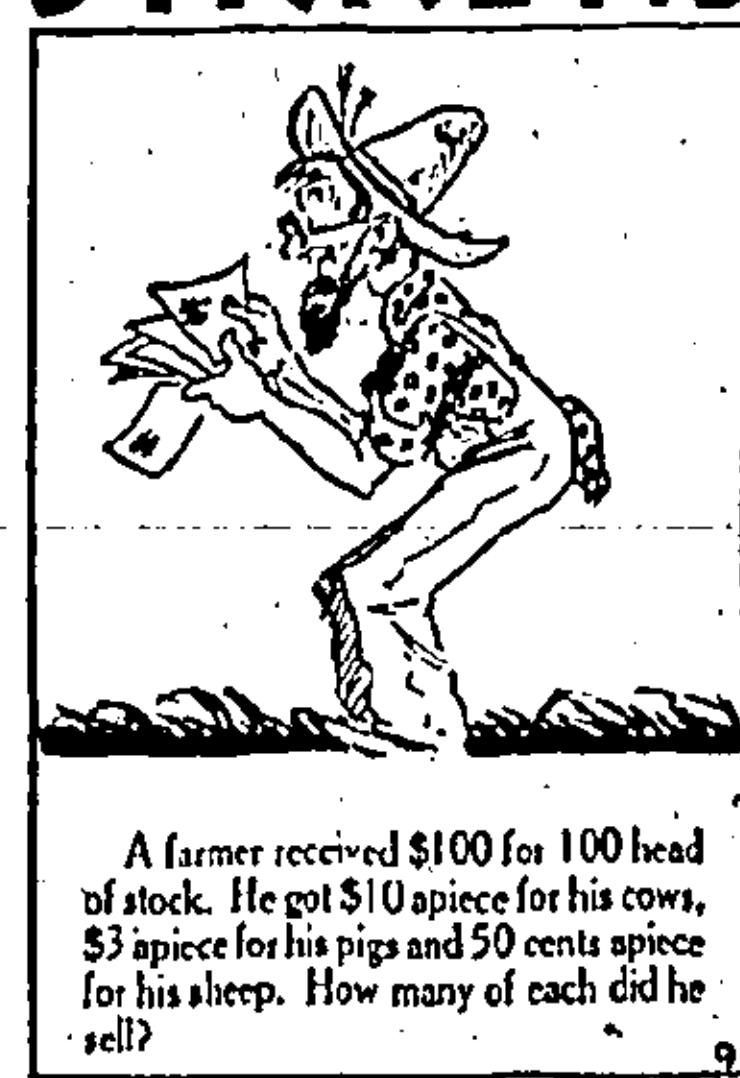
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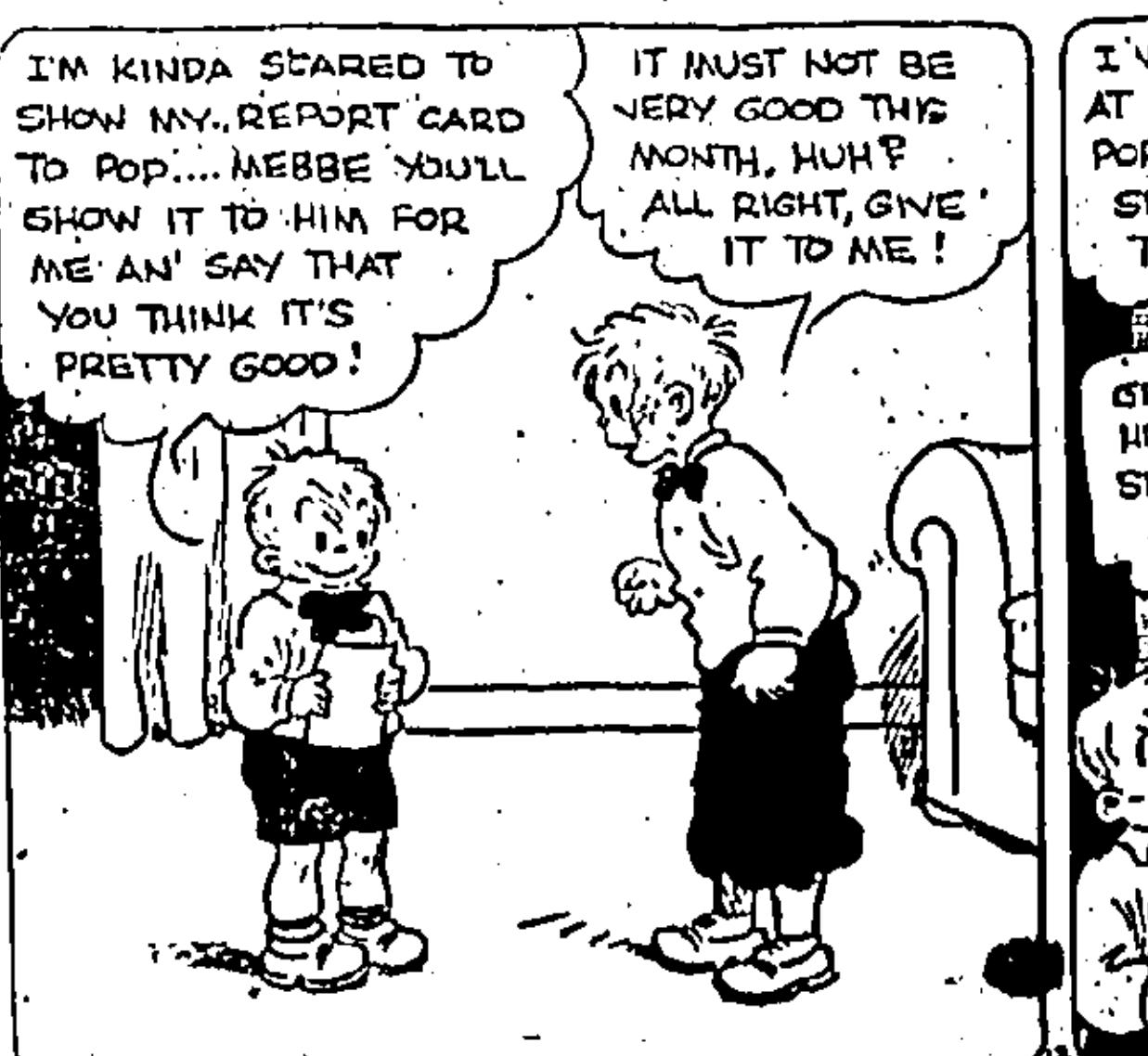
Shanghai, May 26. The censorship imposed by Nanking applies also to radiograms and land lines and includes outgoing and incoming news.—Reuters

licence at 78, Queen's Road, Central, ground floor, while he also noted that members had no objection to the proposal by Mr. Noronha to use the basement of No. 6, Duddell Street as a workshop. Those present besides the Chairman were the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy (Director of Public Works), Dr. C. W. Pope (Medical Officer of Health), Dr. W. V. M. Koch, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. T. N. Chau, Mr. F. C. Hall, Dr. R. A. Castro Basto, Mr. J. H. Gelling (Secretary) and Mr. J. Hargreaves (Assistant Secretary).

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SANITARY BOARD  
MATTERS.TWO APPLICATIONS BEFORE  
FORTNIGHTLY MEETING.

The refusal of an application for an eating house licence and the agreement to an application to use the basement of No. 6, Duddell Street as a workshop.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 1931.

COUNCIL REFORM.

Hongkong and the Straits Settlements were referred to at a recent meeting in Singapore as the only two Colonies in the British Empire which does not enjoy some form of franchise. This was during a discussion, at the annual meeting of the Straits Settlements (Singapore) Association on the question of Council reform. The fact that the Imperial Government is proposing to extend the franchise in Bermuda, and even to introduce female suffrage, was commented on, one speaker suggesting that Lord Passfield might be under the impression that the Straits Settlements enjoyed the franchise, in which event he should be informed that his assumption was wrong!

Reading through the report of the meeting to which we have referred, it becomes apparent that there is considerable diversity of view among members of the Association on this matter of Council reform. In fact, the Chairman drew attention to the fact that less than one-third of the members voted in a recent referendum on the subject, and he interpreted this as indicating that the Association was definitely opposed to any alteration in the existing conditions. This view was, however, strongly opposed by other speakers, a point being made of the fact that various communal Associations favour some type of reform. One point raised was the definition of a British subject in which connexion a query was raised as to whether Chinese or Indians born in a British Colony could claim that designation. The speaker who raised this issue confessed that he could find no law in support of the general belief that such persons were British subjects, adding that he thought people who had not shown any capacity to govern their own country should not have the right to help in governing a British Colony. A Government spokesman, however, made the point quite clear when he stated that anyone born in British territory is a natural-born British subject. The status of Chinese born in the Straits Settlements was also dwelt upon by a Chinese speaker, who said the very fact that addresses were given on Empire Day to Chinese students, impressing on them their duties and responsibilities to the Empire, made it quite clear that they were regarded as British subjects. The fact was recalled, during the meeting, that on the last occasion on

which the constitution of the Legislative Assembly was amended, it was the Government itself which took the initiative. Prior to that, the Chinese member represented the views of all the non-European communities, but now the various communities have their own representatives, a development which has been extremely successful and beneficial.

Despite the charges of lethargy brought against the Association, it is clear that there are leading spirits in it who intend to press this matter of Council reform. As a consequence, the Association has decided to join with the Penang Association in petitioning the Government to appoint a Commission to go into the whole question. It is hoped that by this method, every aspect of the issue will be calmly considered and some definite decision be reached. The Government, apparently, does not think the moment quite propitious, judging from the remarks of an official present at the meeting, but he conceded that the subject was not dead and would come up again in the near future. The questions involved are admittedly difficult, but that is no reason why they should not be faced. Frankly, we should like to see the issue taken up by Hongkong as well. An impartial investigation of the matter should be of the utmost value. In these matters, it is well that action should not lag behind public feeling.

### War Debts Rejoinder.

Foreign delegates to the International Chamber of Commerce gathering in Washington appear to have come off best in a tilt with President Hoover on the war debts revision issue. Advocates of reduction or cancellation are, in these days particularly, anything but popular in the American capital, which would prefer to let sleeping dogs lie. The mere thought of open discussion of the problem is sufficient to cause disquiet. When, therefore, it became known that the International Chamber was likely to indulge in the gentle game of American Government-baiting, President Hoover seized the first opportunity to deliver a public speech professing to represent the attitude of the Government. In most quarters, the address was interpreted as a warning to Europe that it would be useless to talk about debt revision while spending such large sums on armaments. The line taken by the President was readily seized upon by delegates at their next meeting, one of the Italians pointing out that the United States herself has the world's biggest war budget. The figures for the current year in round figures, he said, were America, £150,000,000; Great Britain, £155,000,000; France, £82,000,000. America had also shown the greatest percentage of increase since the War, the 1913 figures being, Britain, £77,000,000, France, £82,000,000, and America, £68,000,000. The figures speak for themselves, and serving as a rather blunt rejoinder to President Hoover's attempt to silence criticism, appear timely as well as justified.

One of the principal speakers during the Chamber debate was Sir Alan Anderson, of the Bank of England, who supported the Italian delegate warmly, and pointed out that while Great Britain had cancelled a greater debt than the total owed to the United States, the latter country still found it hard to accept as impartial advice from debtor countries that they should be forgiven what they owed. The initial moves in the rather pliant situation, he noted, were made by the nations which under the Young Plan stand neither to gain nor to lose by debt revision. The Americans have since resorted to the argument that Europe's ability to pay had been demonstrated. Perhaps it has. No default has yet been recorded. At the same time, there is more than a suspicion that the impoverishment of Europe in the process has had more than a little to do with the grave American industrial depression. Revision suggestions these days are not by peoples hoping to escape liability, but by experts desirous of breaking the world depression. Unfortunately, it appears, America cannot see wisdom in this point of view.

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## DAY BY DAY

TO HAVE FREEDOM IS ONLY TO HAVE THAT WHICH IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO ENABLE US TO BE WHAT WE OUGHT TO BE.—Rahel.

The P. and O. S. S. Burdwan, from Shanghai, is due here at daylight on Friday.

The Ben Line S. S. Benmuchai, from Hong Kong via Straits, is due here on Sunday.

No fewer than 88 deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis were reported in the Colony last week.

The Annual Meeting of Electors of the Peak Church will be held in St. John's Cathedral Hall on Thursday, May 28th at 6.30 p.m.

Leung Yuk was sentenced by Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, to two months' imprisonment for the theft of a suit case containing clothing from 48, Pakho Street, the property of Lo Shun-yung.

Chiu Tsung-chuen, a plasterer of the Chang Kee Building contractors' shop, fell from a house under construction in Lockhart Road yesterday whilst plastering the wall between the second and third floors and received a fracture of his right thigh.

Amongst the passengers who left by the Asama Maru to-day were the Hon. Sir Shikōn Chow and Lady Chow, Major A. H. Hewson, Mr. W. T. Stanton, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Kennedy Skipton, and Mr. Sum Pak-ming.

Last week's return of notifiable diseases show five non-fatal cases of typhoid (two imported), two cases of cerebro-spinal fever (one fatal), and one fatal occurrence of diphtheria. The return for yesterday shows another case of cerebro-spinal fever.

At an examination held in March last for the Shorthand Certificants of Pitman Institute the following scores were obtained:—Theoretical Certificates—K. Mohammed, M. C. Pandrey, Ip Kam-wing, Speed Certificates—60 words a minute, M. C. Pendrey; 60 words a minute, Ng Ting-ki; 70 words a minute, D. Hyacs and Ip Kam-wing; 80 words a minute, C. Blumenthal. The class were taught by Miss Bascombe, B.A.

Two lots of Crown lands were disposed of at the land sale, held yesterday afternoon, at the P. W. D. offices, New Kowloon Island Lot No. 1500, in Fuk Wing Street, Shum-shui-poo, consisting of about 2,592 square feet, was sold to Mr. Fan Song, at the upset price of \$4,888. Island Lot No. 3180, in Yick Yam Street, Wong Nei Chung, consisting of about 2,200 square feet, was sold to Mr. Yee Ton at \$15,000, the upset price being \$11,000.

## WATER LEVELS.

### DETAILS FOR WEST, NORTH AND EAST RIVERS.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in English feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River on the dates named:

May 25. May 26.

West River at Shiuhsing 10.8 10.5

North River at Tsingyu'en — 11.7

North River at Samshui — 10.6

East River at Samshui — 8.7

The highest levels recorded are:

Shiuhsing, 41 feet; Tsingyu'en,

29.2 feet; Samshui, 27.3 feet;

Sheklung, 11.5 feet.

The lowest levels on record are:

minus 5 feet at Samshui and

minus 2.7 feet at Sheklung.

Then there is the woman who keeps her dressmaker or hairdresser waiting half an hour or more, and arrives with a bland smile, no excuse, expecting to have her wants satisfied immediately.



"Oh, I'm always partial to eggs, any style—but Henry won't touch him if the yellow is broken."

## Those Unpunctual Women.

By LADY WILD,  
Wife of Sir Ernest Wild,  
the Recorder of London.

I'M terribly sorry we're late, old man, but my wife you know what women are."

And so for the hundredth or maybe thousandth time the onus of unpunctuality is thrown upon the shoulders of women.

Have we any material evidence to which we can give the lie to this criticism? Unfortunately we have not, for unpunctuality is becoming a fashionable failing among women.

As long as it continues to do so I shall always have a quarrel with my sex. This practice is especially noticeable among the modern young creatures of to-day, who are wanton where time is concerned, and deliberately make themselves late because they think it puts a higher value on themselves.

Only the other day a young woman openly boasted to me that she takes a delight in sauntering along the corridors of her hotel while her fiance fumes and frets in the lounge below.

She also admitted that she enjoys the sensation of strolling in to dinner late and receiving the glances of a score or more guests well beyond the soup stage.

Basking in the warmth of momentary notoriety, this same young creature pouts or raises a winning laugh when her hostess has the courage to remonstrate upon her unpunctuality.

"You know what women are," says the poor embarrassed man, and sinks gratefully into the proffered chair. For him the sparkle is off the champagne and the evening irretrievably ruined.

A young fellow may forgive his fiance's lapse the first time, and if he is sufficiently in love, the second, but let it occur again, and he begins to ask, "Where shall I be in the future?"

He sees himself becoming the victim of a woman's whim, the safety valve on which she relies to excuse all her petty social sins. And as a result the wedding ring he proposed buying remains where he first saw it in the jeweller's shop window.

When married women resort to similar tricks, the outcome is even more disastrous. It is then that men learn that the caprice which first enchanted them has turned their domestic happiness into misery. The story of the husband who brought influential business friends home to dinner only to find the cupboard bare and his wife in the early stages of dressing has become a classic.

His failure to achieve the position due to him is a moral that should be learned by every wife. For the fact remains that a man is frequently judged by his wife's behaviour, and many an otherwise intelligent woman has dragged her husband down to her own level on the score of unpunctuality.

Then there is the woman who keeps her dressmaker or hairdresser waiting half an hour or more, and arrives with a bland smile, no excuse, expecting to have her wants satisfied immediately.

Should she be an influential client the whole establishment is thrown into a panic. When told that at last by the patient shop assistant that owing to her non-arrival the appointment had been filled, but that if madam would be good enough to wait a little while she would see what could be done, she lapsed into sulks, threats, and eventually takes her custom elsewhere. Strangely enough it is this very type of woman who is most eager to organise and help in the affairs of others. She will undertake more social welfare duties than any woman could comfortably see through in the course of a day.

Lacking a sense of time value, the work that she puts in disappoints those who depended on her, and gradually she shifts the responsibilities on to others. She is late at committees, as well as lax in presenting her reports.

But when at the end of a term of office her place is taken by a plainer, not nearly so clever woman, her amazement knows no bounds. She retires, sore and humiliated and, as she thinks, a martyr to the ingratitude of others. In reality, poor soul, she is the slave of her own vice—unpunctuality.

Thus woman stands convicted of her own unpunctuality, and the only consolation I have is that her imbecility eventually brings its own punishment.

## THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND IN ENGLAND.

By W. A. Mutch.

A critical moment in a new talking picture, "Body and Soul," Charles Farrell, as a pilot in a British flying squadron, is accused of conveying information to the enemy.

To this accusation, made by his commanding officer, he replies, "Listen here, sir! Either your dope is all wrong or I'm cuckoo."

I do not recommend that this form of reply should be included in the rules and regulations of the Royal Air Force, but I should like to borrow it, just for a moment, and address it in all its primitive vigour to almost any commanding officer in almost any British talking picture studio, for the very good reason that there is in "Body and Soul" a British film actress who retains the name of Elissa Landi but who in every other respect is another personality.

When Elissa Landi left London to play on the New York stage the part of Catherine in "A Farewell to Arms" she was convinced she was a hopeless film subject.

Out of her experience in British studios she had acquired nothing but an "inferiority complex."

Only two British directors of pictures believed in her, and only one, in my opinion, came within a thousand miles of capturing her rare beauty. Most of the others were scared of her. Elissa Landi has brains as well as beauty. Judging by some who have been preferred to her in our studios, that may have been her handicap.

### A New Personality.

Anyhow, Elissa Landi went to New York. She was sought by six different American talking picture studios and decided to go to Hollywood.

The first result of that decision is in her rendering of the part of Carla in "Body and Soul." Here we see an Elissa Landi transfigured.

In the making of the picture it is easy to see the guiding hand of a supremely sensitive director, and it is easy to see, in the photograph, the work of a wizard with a camera.

Wherever Elissa Landi moves in this picture she is followed by personal lighting, so that her features are clear and soft, and so that in her hair there is a thriling radiance.

That is perhaps the most striking ingredient in the transformation, but it is only one item of many.

These things are not done in this country. They are not understood.

They are done in Hollywood because they pay!

Hollywood knows that an essential of film entertainment is the presentation of people at their best.

**DOCKYARD THEFT PROBLEM.****MAGISTRATE DIFFERS FROM PREDECESSOR.****INTERESTING POINT.**

A ruling made by a former Magistrate, who is now acting as Puisane Judge, as to the right view to be taken of larcenies from local dockyards, was questioned in a similar case before Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy to-day.

The accused, Li Sam, described as being without employment, was charged with stealing lead piping from the Taikoo Docks, and pleaded that he retrieved the stuff from a rubbish heap.

Mr. G. T. Bird, in charge of the watchmen's service at the yard, told the Magistrate that these had been frequent thefts of such material and detection in the present case had resulted from a special watch.

Mr. Schofield observed that it seemed to him that a better charge would have been one of receiving stolen goods.

Inspector Stimson, in charge of the case, replied that he had thought that all along, but Mr. Lindsell, a former Magistrate, had always held that if a man was found in the Dock or coming out of the Dock with property that belonged to the establishment, the property must have been stolen, and therefore the charge could be only one of larceny.

He (Inspector Stimson) was of the view that a charge of larceny could only be brought when a person had actually been seen stealing. "Anyway, as your Worship pleased with regard to the witness cases," added the officer.

The accused, who had a previous conviction, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

**HAWKERS WITHOUT LICENCES.****CAUGHT ABOARD DUTCH STEAMER.**

Three Chinese were brought before Commr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., at the Marine Court this morning for hawking on board the Dutch vessel *Tjibadak* without licences yesterday on her arrival in port.

The first defendant said he did not know the regulations. He was hawking for the first time yesterday and did not know that a licence was required. Imposing a fine of \$10, his Worship said it was the defendant's duty to acquaint himself with the laws of Hongkong.

The second defendant said his master held a hawkers' licence, but he left the *Tjibadak* to go another vessel, leaving the defendant in charge. Defendant denied having made any sales. He was fined \$10. With regard to the third defendant, who denied the charge, Sgt. Fraser, said he found the defendant on the *Tjibadak* with bean curd and cooked food. Defendant was mixing up with the passengers. Defendant denied that the bean curd and the cooked food belonged to him, and stated that he was a hodge-podge cook.

In answer to his Worship, Sgt. Fraser admitted that he did not actually see the defendant hawking. His Worship decided to discharge the defendant, saying there might possibly have been some confusion.

**SEEN AND HEARD ON THE SCREEN.****WONDERFUL DEVELOPMENT OF RADIO & TELEVISION.**

Schenectady, N.Y., May 22. A triumph of co-ordination of wireless and television was demonstrated at a meeting of the Rotary Club here to-day by the General Electric Company.

The audience not only saw and heard the speakers projected life-size on to a television screen, but by means of sensitive microphones throughout the hall the speakers, who were in a laboratory remote from the hall, were enabled to hear the comments of the audience on their addresses and to answer a volley of questions.

**QUEEN MARY'S BIRTHDAY.****GREETINGS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD.**

London, May 26. Queen Mary to-day celebrated her 6th birthday at Sandringham, Norfolk, where she received presents from members of the Royal Family, including her grand-children, and many messages of greeting from all parts of the world.

A Royal Salute of 21 guns was fired at Hyde Park, flags were flown from all public buildings, and all warships in home ports were dressed overall.

The Court returns to Buckingham Palace to-morrow.—*British Wireless*.

**UNKNOWN CHINESE KILLED.****SPEED LIMIT QUESTION AT INQUIRY..**

An unknown Chinese who was killed by a Hongkong Hotel bus in Queen's Road Central on the 14th instant, was the subject of a Coroner's inquest, before Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy, yesterday afternoon. In a rider the jury suggested a fifteen mile per hour limit for all traffic in Queen's Road.

His Worship explained to the jury that two things had to be considered: (1) whether the bus driver took all possible precautions to avoid the accident; and (2), having regard to the circumstances to be set out by the enquiry, should any recommendation be made regarding traffic in Queen's Road Central.

Dr. A. V. Greaves, in charge of the Victoria Mortuary, testifying with regard to a post-mortem examination he made of the remains on the morning following the accident, said that certain of the ribs were fractured, and that both lungs and internal organs were ruptured. The injuries were consistent with the man having been run over by a heavy vehicle. The cause of death was shock and haemorrhage.

The skull was, however, uninjured, and there were no marks either the front or back. Witness could not say if the body had been dragged along after being knocked down.

**Police Officer on Scene.**

Detective Sergeant J. O'Donovan, told the Court that while walking under the verandah on the north side of Queen's Road, near the junction of Jubilee Street, he heard shouts behind him. He walked into the street and looked back, in time to see an eastbound Hongkong Hotel bus (No. 612), travelling on its proper side, come to a stop, 20 yards from where he was standing.

He saw a Chinese made underneath the near side of the bus, his head and shoulders protruding from under the front mudguard, and his body midway between the front and rear wheels. He appeared to be lifeless.

When witness returned from a shop whence he telephoned for an ambulance, a Chinese doctor had appeared on the scene. The doctor examined the victim and pronounced life to be extinct; whereupon witness cancelled the arrangements for the ambulance and had dead box brought.

Answering a question by the jury, witness said that the bus was in a straight line along the roadway, nine feet from the kerb on its near side. The body was lying on its face.

Mr. J. A. Delgado, who was a passenger in the bus, in describing the accident, said that the deceased walked out from the verandah on the left side of the bus. He was carrying some boxes on his shoulder and was knocked down, notwithstanding the fact that the driver had sounded his horn besides swerving slightly to the right. A bus coming in the opposite direction prevented him from swerving too far to the right.

Corroborative evidence was given by the bus driver involved in the accident as well as the driver in charge of the bus going in a westerly direction.

Evidence of the testing of the brakes and finding them in good condition was given by the Police.

**Fatality Figures.**

Inspector C. F. Alexander produced the driver's record and at the request of the Coroner, gave figures of the fatal accidents in Queen's Road during the past two years. He said that in 1929 there were three fatal accidents, of which one involved a motor bus, while in 1930 there had been eight fatalities, including five in which buses were concerned. In one of these a passenger had been killed whilst alighting from a moving bus. During the past five months there had been four fatal accidents with one involving a bus, the present one being the second this year.

Witness stated that he had several accidents in other main thoroughfares including Connaught Road and Des Voeux Road, but he could not, off hand, say how figures for these two roads compared with those for Queen's Road. In Caine Road there were less accidents, as the community there was different from that in Queen's Road.

After reviewing the evidence the Coroner pointed out to the jury that with regard to the general traffic in Queen's Road the jury could make any recommendations they wished.

After deliberation the foreman (Mr. D. L. King) said that the members of the jury were of the opinion that death had been due to misadventure, with no blame attaching to the driver of the bus.

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**CANTON REVOLT PLANS.****NATIONAL GOVT. TO BE FORMED.****LEADERS' SPEECHES.**

Canton, May 26. Another conference of civil and military leaders of the Canton regime took place yesterday at which it was decided to form a National Government instead of a military one. The Government will be inaugurated on the 28th inst. and it will have a National Council of 16 members which will have the control of five Departments, namely:

The Military, Financial, Foreign, Industrial and Commercial, and Communications.

There will be no Yuans as at present existing in Nanking.

The following gentlemen have been selected to be members of the National Council:—Messrs. Tang Shao-yi; Wang Ching-wei, Sun Fo, Hsu Ying-fan, Tang Tsu-yi, Lin Shen, Hsiao Fu-cheng, Chan Chai-tung, Tsou Lu, Eugene Chen, and Wang Chung-hui, with Mr. Tang Shao-yi as President of the Council.

The heads of the five departments, however, have not been chosen yet.—*Rensha*.

**New Recruits.**

Canton, May 26. General Ho Chien, Commander of the 4th Route Army and Governor of the Provincial Government of Hunan, has decided to take the Canton side. Mr. Tsang, his chief of staff and representative, arrived at Canton to join yesterday's conference.

General Tang Sang-chi arrived here yesterday and attended the conference. General Hau Sung-chi is expected to arrive here today. Both are important persons in the anti-Chiang movement.

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Revolutionary Movement.

Mr. Tang Shao-yi emphasised the fact that the Canton movement was part of the revolutionary movement and it aimed at the overthrow of Chiang who had earned the displeasure of all Kuomintang officials and of the people because of his dictatorial manner.

Mr. Sun Fo said that he had come South for peace and he considered that the preservation of peace in China could not be established without the abdication of Marshal Chiang. Mr. Sun Fo strongly criticised the Nanking Central Kuomintang, Central Political Council, State Council and Legislative Council for neglecting national reconstruction while devoting their attention to petty politics which had brought disagreement among the rulers.

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**RAIN AT NORTHAMPTON.**

Leicester the Better Eleven.

Leicester proved themselves the better all-round eleven at Northampton, but owing to the weather, were unable to force a victory. They made 221 in their first innings and dismissed Northamptonshire for 169 (Astill, 5 for 33).

At the close of play, Leicester had hit up 147 for the loss of three wickets.

**NOT OUT CENTURIES.**

New Zealand twice declared at Cardiff.

The New Zealand tourists twice declared against Glamorgan at

**GOULCESTER'S SEABACK.**

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part in their downfall, his five wickets costing 50 runs.

**FREEMAN TAKES TEN MORE WICKETS.**

Kent Win Well After Being In Arrears.

Freeman is rapidly establishing himself as the leading bowler of the year. To his already large bag this season, he added ten Somersets wickets at Taunton and contributed largely to Kent's fourth successive victory.

Somersets batted first and were all out for 166, Freeman taking 4 for 63 while Watt had four for 44.

Kent fared even worse. They could do little with the bowling of Wellard, who took 6 for 39, and were dismissed for 146.

Somersets' second knock was not good enough to cause the visitors any anxiety. Freeman's 6 for 62 featured the innings which closed at 121, and Kent proceeded to hit up 144 for the loss of 3 wickets.

**MIDDLESEX WIN.**

Sussex Collapse in Second Innings.

At Lord's, what promised to provide a very keen fight ended in an easy victory for Middlesex.

Sussex went in first and made 285, to which Middlesex replied with 324 for 6 wickets (Hendren 125). Conditions being unfavourable to the batsmen, the Middlesex skipper declared and was rewarded by the collapse of Sussex, the last wicket falling at 112.

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### WATER POLO LEAGUE.

#### ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE LOCAL SEASON.

There will be six teams in the first division and twelve in the second division of the local Water Polo League during the coming season. The programme was arranged at last night's meeting of the committee of the Hongkong Swimming Association. The entries for the two leagues are:

First division—V.R.C., Kowloon, Royal Navy, South Wales Borderers, Chinese Bathing Club, Chinese Athletic Association.

Second division—South Wales Borderers, 20th Heavy Battery, 31st Heavy Battery, 12th Heavy Battery, Chinese Athletic Association, V.R.C., "A", V.R.C. "B", Kowloon, "A", Kowloon "B", Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, Royal Corps of Signals, Hongkong University.

The first round will begin on Monday, June 1, and games will be played at the V.R.C. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights at 6 p.m. and 8.30 p.m. As June 3 is the King's Birthday, there will be no games fixed for that night.

The matches arranged for Monday are V.R.C. v. Navy (first division) and V.R.C. "A" v. V.R.C. "B", while on Friday Kowloon will meet the South Wales Borderers in the first division, and the Chinese Athletic will be opposed to the Borderers in the second.

### SUGAR MARKET.

#### THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pen-treath and Co.

#### LONDON TERMINALS.

March 1932 6/6½ down ¼d.  
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August 1931 6/1 down ¾d.  
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#### NEW YORK TERMINALS.

March 1932 1.35 down 3 pts.  
May 1932 1.41 down 3 pts.  
July 1931 1.11 down 3 pts.  
September 1931 1.19 down 3 pts.  
December 1931 1.28 down 3 pts.

#### RECENT MURDER.

#### POLICE REWARD OF \$1,000 FOR INFORMATION.

An official notification published yesterday offers a reward of \$1,000, for information leading to the conviction of the person or persons who murdered Mr. Douglas Carstairs, at No. 2 Luna Building, Kowloon, last Thursday.

### CINEMA NOTES.

#### "MIN AND BILL" STRONG DRAMA.

Mario Dressler and Wallace Beery, as a character team, provide the central figures for "Min and Bill," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's vivid drama of the frontier, now playing at the Queen's Theatre, and, incidentally, are giving film fans something decidedly new in the form of screen entertainment. Miss Dressler, best known for her comedy, surprises the world with her fine character role in "Anna Christie," and this time is a dominant, forceful figure who raises to supreme dramatic heights. Beery, who played the sinister Dutch in "The Big House," presents a character lovable rather than aversive.

The story depicts the struggle between a foster mother and natural mother for the happiness of a girl, and the tremendous denouement that solves the problem is a decidedly new note in the drama of the screen. There is not a let up in the breathless interest in this astounding story, and despite its poignant drama, there are many comedy moods, as well as a charming love romance, to lighten its more sombre moments.

Miss Dressler is a dominant figure as Min, keeper of the waterfront dive, and Beery plays her lover Bill, fishing smack captain, with deft skill. A newcomer to the screen scores heavily in the person of Marjorie Rambeau, even as the evil Bella.

#### AMAZING ANIMAL SCENES IN FILM.

Are you one of those who believe that the ostrich hides its head with the idea that he's hiding from an enemy? Or that the lion is really king of beasts?

They're both myths, like a good many stories of the jungle. The ostrich doesn't do anything so stupid—and as for the lion—well, a good-sized zebra can kick the daylights out of him and put him to flight easily.

These are just a couple of odd facts that audiences see with their own eyes and hear with their own ears in "Trader Horn," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's sensational drama of Africa, which will open simultaneously at the Queen's, Star and World Theatres on Thursday.

It was filmed by the biggest picture expedition that ever went into Africa, and that took with it the first and only sound recording apparatus ever to invade the dark continent. There were many thrills in that 25,000 mile trip, in which a safari of several hundred and a small army of trucks and autos invaded spots never photographed before.

The cameramen crept up on lions, leopards, rhinoceros, crocodiles, and other denizens of the jungle, and actually placed microphones to catch their voices. It was 51° in a dangerous task. Once a rhino charged, and was dropped only a few feet from the camera. Another time a technician was setting a microphone in a tree at

the centre of a sand fight on the Lido beach in which Philippe de Lacy, Anita Louise, Little Mitzi, Billy Seay and Ruby Paresy engage with much spirit. At the minute the battle begins Anita Louise dumps Donald Smith, nine-month-old baby, into his surprised arms. As he tries to stop the fight, and to protect the baby, Mary Brian, older sister of the children, and the girl with whom he is in love, steps into the scene.

"The Marriage Playground" is based on the famous best-selling novel, "The Children" by Edith Wharton.

The story was published in serial form in Pictorial Review in 1928.

Among those in the supporting cast of the production are Lillian Tashman, Huntley Gordon, Kay Francis, William Austin, Scena Owen, Jocelyn Lee, Maude Turner Gordon, David Newell and Joan Standing.

Lothar Mendes directed the picture. He was the director of Clark Bow's "Dangerous Curves" and Buddy Rogers' "Illusion."

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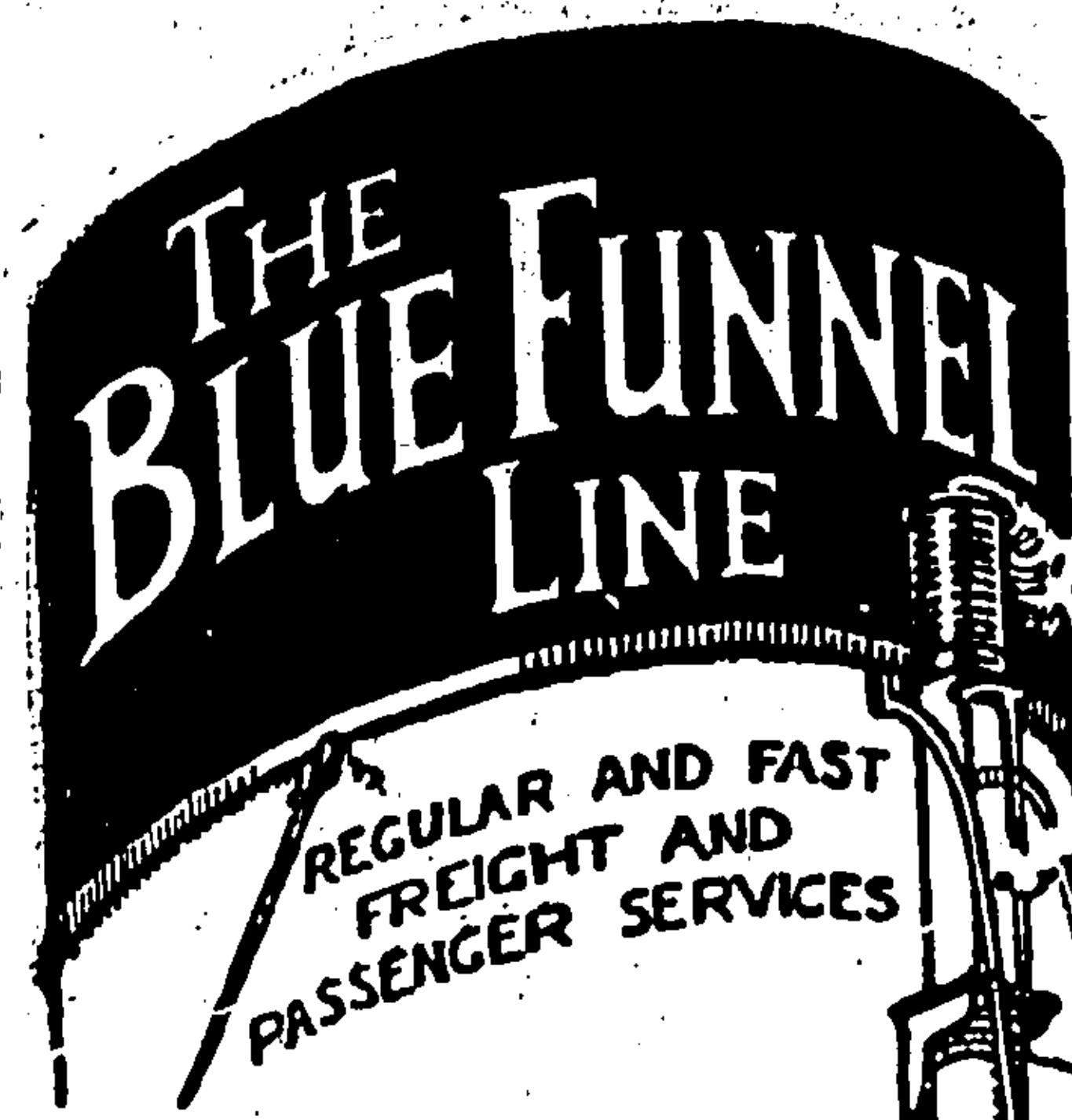
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Air conditioning is a branch of engineering that has come into prominence only during recent years, but it has made such rapid progress that modern engineers can now adjust machinery to any requirements, while fans and other cooling devices have been relegated to the limbo of forgotten things. That is why the air conditioning plant installed at the King's Theatre, now that it has been adapted to local conditions, will maintain an even comfortable standard, whatever the temperature outside.

The King's Cinema Theatre is the first public building in Hong Kong to be equipped with an air conditioning plant, although the system has been installed in several Shanghai theatres, and is a feature of most of the big theatres of America and elsewhere. The Jardine Engineering Company fitted the King's with the York Shipley scheme, an American plant which practically works automatically.

Many things had to be taken into consideration in installing the system at the King's, where many people are crowded into a comparatively small space. The four main things were the quantity, purity, temperature and humidity of the air, and after various tests, engineers arrived at what they considered the most desirable degree of temperature and humidity inside the theatre. These conditions are described as the "comfort line," and are based on the temperature and humidity of the inside air in comparison with that of the outside air. The scale on which the King's plant works is to maintain the humidity inside the theatre at 60 per cent., and to regulate the temperature inside on a scale a few degrees below that of the outside air. This ratio is as follows, the figures in parentheses being the inside temperature:—75 deg. (73), 80 (75), 85 (76), 90 (77), 95 (80), 100 (83).

## Many Considerations.

In order to arrive at these figures the engineers had to begin calculations, taking the local daily weather reports as a guide. This established the expected outside air conditions, and then efforts were made to calculate the amount of heat that would have to be removed from the building. This consisted of two large items and many small ones. The first big item was the heat penetration through the walls of the building, which usually averages about 25 per cent. of the total refrigerating requirements, while the second and largest item was the amount of heat radiated by the people in the theatre. This represents about 60 per cent. of the requirements. The average person sitting at rest radiates enough heat each hour to raise the temperature of 400 lbs. of water, 1 degree Fahrenheit. This meant that 1,200 people in the King's

Theatre would radiate enough heat in an hour to raise the temperature of 480,000 lbs. of water, 1 degree, or sufficient to melt two tons of ice.

The smaller factors to be considered included the heat radiated by lights and brought in through open doors.

The air conditioning plant at the King's can be likened somewhat to the human body, with the machinery in the basement as the heart, and the numerous supply and return ducts leading to all parts of the theatre, serving as veins and arteries.

The air circulation is produced by a multivane fan of such a size that it requires a 20 h.p. motor to operate it. The elaborate system of air ducts distributes fresh air into the theatre overhead and collecting the foul air through openings in the floors, returns the air to the purifier.

## Huge Air Washer.

The purifying, cooling and dehumidifying of the air is performed in an apparatus known as an air washer and consists of a large galvanised iron room fitted inside with spray nozzles which, when supplied with a suitable quantity of water under pressure, produces a finely divided spray through which the air blows. This spray removes all form of dirt, dust, smoke and other impurities, and sends the air out into the theatre again with the freshness that is left after a rainstorm. This air washer also cools the air to the desired temperature, as the water used to produce the spray is cooled to a low temperature. The third function of the air washer is dehumidifying the air. The question of humidity is, of course, a most important one in Hong Kong.

Mechanical refrigeration used in cooling the King's Theatre, requires machinery sufficient to produce the same effect as the melting of 120 tons of ice per day. This cooling is divided between two machines, which are used separately or together, depending on the number of people inside the theatre and the temperature and humidity of the outside air. These machines require 175 h.p. with an additional 50 h.p. for auxiliary equipment. Approximately 250 h.p. of electrical energy is used.

An unusual feature of fitting the cooling plant at the King's was that one of the most difficult obstacles to be overcome was the securing of cooling water to condense the refrigerant. A compression of 200 lbs. to the square inch was necessary for refrigeration and this required 400 gallons of water a minute.

This water is not connected with the air washing but is used merely in the condensers and then allowed to run away, as it cannot be used again.

In ordinary circumstances this water could have been procured from artesian wells or from city supplies but in Hong Kong, neither was available, and the only source was from the harbour. A pumping station was therefore erected on the Praya and six inch mains were laid across private property to the theatre.

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Half-an-hour after the enquiry had commenced, with three of those present being ballotted to serve as jurors, Mr. Bousfield made an appearance, but he had no excuse, to give when interrogated by the Coroner, except saying that he was ready to serve.

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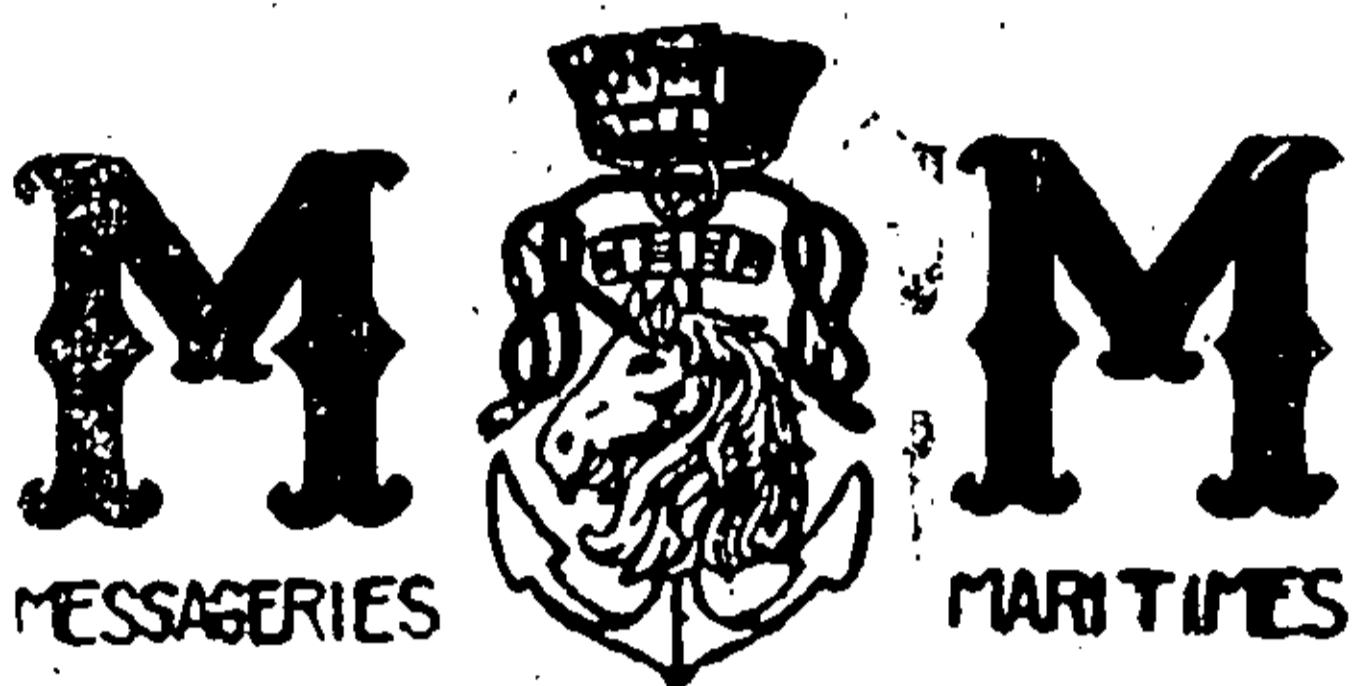
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(Continued from Page 2.)

Item the Guernsey Meat Market seems to have been exempt from that servitude to Capital in which the whole creation groaned. By the simple expedient of paying for the work in Government notes, eventually redeemed out of the market revenues, an tribute to the capitalist was avoided. In fact of this successful experiment, the fact that we, in England, continue to raise loans and subject ourselves to dragging lengthening chain of interest, seems so perplexingly foolish as to be inexplicable."

Well, that's all right so far as it goes. It bears out all that we know about the essential absurdity of interest. It shows quite clearly that Lord Passfield is a man of affairs untrammeled by tradition, but, as if to prove that he was not irreversibly cut him self off from the old gang of "quantity theorists," Lord Passfield adds "If prices in Guernsey rose, even by one-halfpenny in the shilling,—if eggs, for instance, sold twenty-four for a shilling instead of twenty-five, this represented a burden on the Guernsey consumers exactly analogous to a tax of four per cent. on their egg purchases. Instead of paying interest on a loan they unwittingly chose to pay more for their eggs."

You will particularly notice gentlemen, how persistently interest and eggs are identified with economic problems. If I have dealt with this case at length it is because I think it is not unreasonable to assume that the ultimate solution of our own currency difficulties may conceivably be found in the total abolition of the establishment in Hongkong, not of a stable gold standard, but of a fluctuating egg standard.

### A Common Fallacy.

And now I would like to refer to a common fallacy that money is wealth. It is responsible for a good deal of confused thought, especially with regard to over-production, that, as Mr. Henry Ford would tell us, is only to be met by producing more.

The common fallacy about the Capital Levy is that it means confiscation. Nothing is farther from the truth. It means relief from an intolerable burden of taxation and a return to business prosperity. I am not talking politics. I don't take the slightest interest in politics. I assure you I haven't any idea as to whether we are at the moment laboriously suffering under a Conservative Government or conservatively suffering under a Labour Government. I look on this matter purely as a money problem—as an actuarial adjustment of our finances on sound and reasonable lines, free from injustice and fair to everybody. Why should a levy, paid once and for all, be any more confiscation than Death Duties paid once and for all, or Income Tax paid year after year? A nation that seeks to pay off a War Debt by crippling industry is like a man that keeps on taking his temperature instead of taking his medicine. Of all the muddled theories about money this "confiscation" theory of the Capital Levy is the most puzzling

that it doesn't want—unless, of course, it strikes a tangent from the normal and works on the peculiar lines followed by Russia.

### Real Wealth.

No nation, merely by accumulating stocks of gold, can add to its income. It may add to its political safety by filling a war chest, but it does not add to its true national wealth. Real wealth is not money, but money's worth. The balance that matters is not of exports over imports but of production over consumption.

This is no modern discovery—Locke, writing in 1691 puts it in this way:—"He that would make the lighter scale on a balance preponderate to the heavier will not so easily do it by adding new gold to the lighter as by taking old gold from the heavier and using it to supplement the lighter. For then half the quantity will do it. Wealth does not consist in having more gold, but by having enough to procure for ourselves a greater plenty of the conveniences of life than comes within the reach of our neighbours. If the quantity of gold in the world became twice as much as it is and our share of it was doubled we should not be one jot the richer. The true value of money is found only when it passes from one to another in buying and selling."

### Capital Levy.

And now, gentlemen, I have no more than make a brief reference to a popular misconception of that very able and statesmanlike measure known as the Capital Levy. It is intimately concerned with all our money problems and has the approval of most of the leading economists of our time—for it is, after all, a very modern conception, arising out of the appalling state of our finances and the fantastic amount of interest, roughly about a million pounds a day, that we have to pay on War Debts alone.

It is most unfortunate that so important an economic measure should be handled about in the confusion of party politics and that the Capital Levy should be generally associated with the stamping of the Red Flag and similar discordant manifestations that, however properly they may belong to the House of Commons, are out of place in assemblies of thinking people.

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I am greatly obliged, gentlemen, for the patient hearing you have given me.—(Applause).

Thanks to the speaker were expressed by the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton.

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The beauty spots in the neighbourhood of London have probably never proved so popular. It is estimated that 350,000 people visited Hampton Court during the day. Nearly 8,000 passed through the gates of the London Zoo, and about the same number attended the Crystal Palace.

Immense crowds were present at the cricket matches and other sports meetings, and the Thames riverside resorts attracted a record number of visitors.

Congestion of traffic was, however, most acute on the roads leading to the new country zoo at Whipsnade, about thirty miles from London. Twenty-eight thousand people paid for admission, but an immense number were unable to reach the new park, as the omnibus services could not accommodate a large proportion of the people who arrived by train at the stations within a few miles of Whipsnade, and it became necessary to cancel the zoo tickets by later trains. Owing to congestion on the roads to the zoo, occupants of a large majority of private cars were also forced to abandon the journey, and it was late at night before the roads were cleared of picnic traffic.

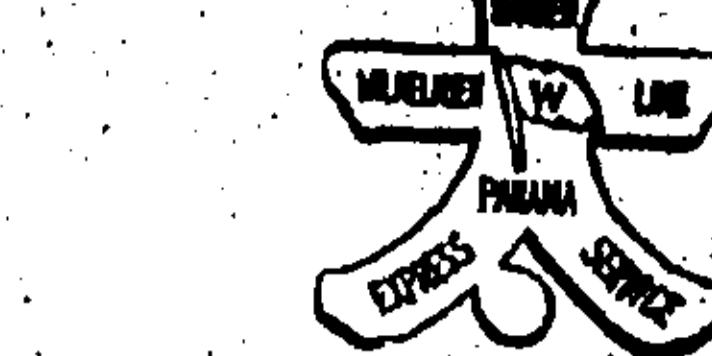
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Mr. F. H. Kwok was for the complainant Company, and Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios for the defendants.

Mr. Kwok said the books in question were algebra books, arithmetic books and other text books used in local schools and in examinations held by the University. They were good photographic copies of the ones issued under copyright by the Macmillan Publishing Company. He desired to bring the case to the notice of other book dealers in the Colony as a warning.

For the defendants, Mr. D'Almada Remedios pleaded a technical offence. He said the same bookshop had figured in two previous summonses, and this had led the proprietors to dismiss their late manager, Tsol Ping-yat. Unfortunately, when the new manager took over the post, he was left in ignorance as to which of the books infringed the law. Now they gave an undertaking to hand over all the undesirable copies.

Mr. Schofield, in registering a conviction, made an order for the 11 copies to be handed over to the complainants and allowed costs to the extent of \$50 for the latter.

### No Cause for Alarm.

Despatch of Fresh Troops to Burma.

### OFFICIAL REPORT.

London, May 26.  
A Burma situation report issued by the India Office refers to minor encounters between Government forces and bodies of rebels which occurred last week in Tharawaddy, Henzada and Thayetmyo Districts. None occurred in the Prome District where the rebels are said to have failed to obtain adherents, and to be now reduced to about 40, who are hiding near the Thayetmyo border.

Immediate action prevented outbreaks in several districts in Upper and Lower Burma from which reports that tattooing was taking place had been received.

The communal situation is reported to be under control, although occasional attacks on Indians and Chinese have occurred in several districts.

A Rangoon telegram referring to the despatch of troops to-day from India to Burma, says an official statement has been issued explaining that these are coming to put down the rebellion to prevent outrages against Indians, and generally to restore law and order. Troops will be stationed at Headquarters, in all districts where the rebellion continues, with detachments at out stations and other places mainly in the Dry Zone while the extra Military Police will be maintained in the rebel areas.

Secunderabad, May 26.  
The 12th. Infantry Brigade and the 3/16th. Punjabis are leaving for Burma to-night.

Other troops are also waiting for

### NEW HANGAR FOR SINGAPORE.

GOVERNMENT TO RENDER ASSISTANCE.

### FOR CIVIL AIRCRAFT.

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orders to leave, but the military authorities are reticent regarding the situation.

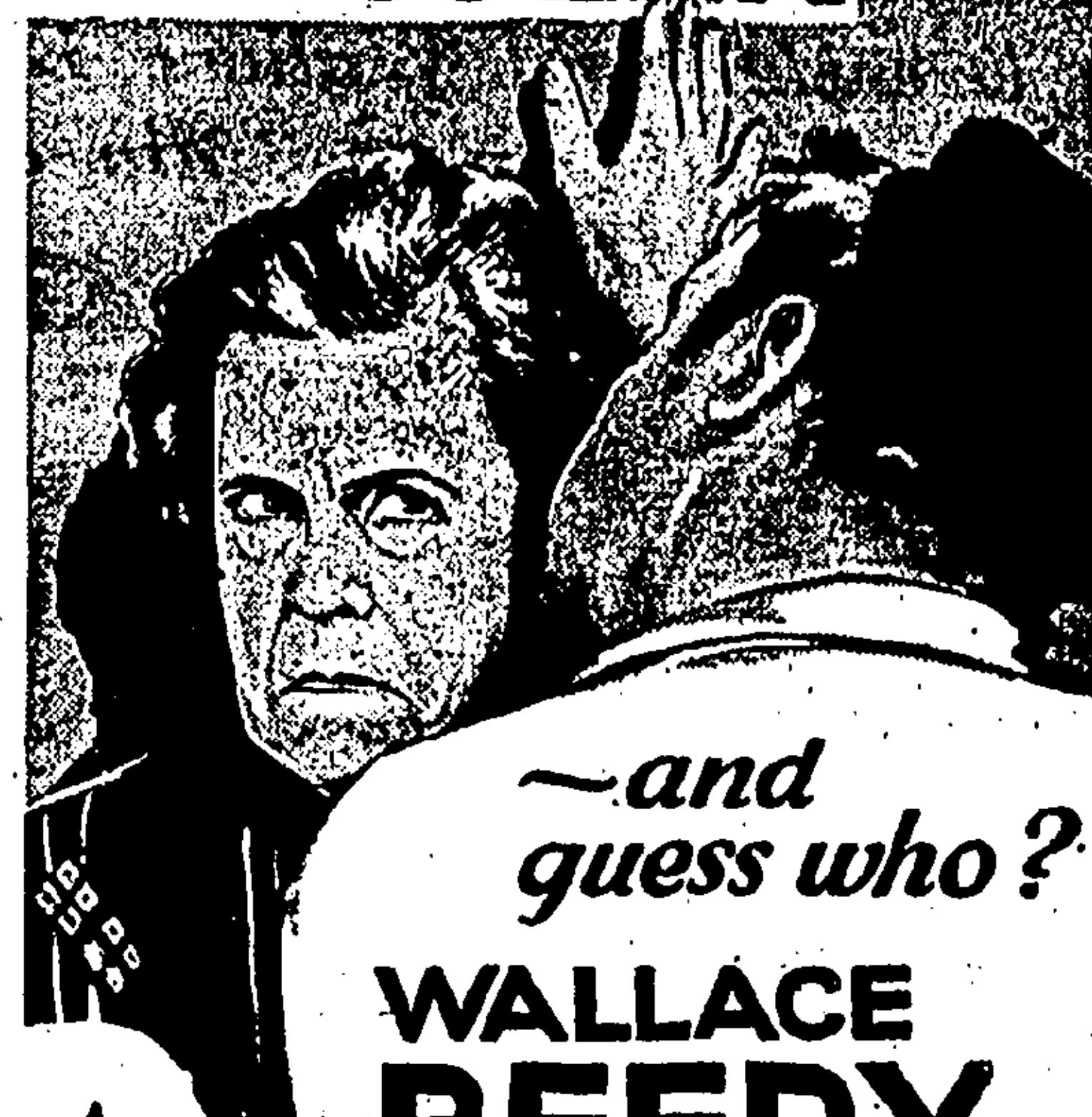
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